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# R.A.F. SINKS GERMANY'S BIGGEST BATTLESHIP SECOND RAID ON WILHELMHAVEN CLAIMS GNEISENAU AS VICTIM

Special To The "Telegraph"

PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—GERMANY'S BIGGEST AND MOST POWERFUL BATTLESHIP, THE 26,000-TON GNEISENAU, WAS SUNK IN THE SECOND BRITISH AIR RAID ON WILHELMHAVEN YESTERDAY.

Germany has only two battleships, the remaining one being the Scharnhorst, which is of slightly earlier design.

The Gneisenau was launched on December 8, 1936—less than three years ago, and in some respects was one of the most powerful battleships afloat outside the British Navy.

The ship, which was laid down at the Wilhelmshaven Naval Yards in 1934, took over two years to build.

## Polish Capital Removed

Evacuation Of Warsaw Proceeds

WARSAW, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The seat of the Polish Government has been removed to Lublin, 120 miles south-east of the Capital.

Wounded Polish soldiers have been moved out of Warsaw.

Nazi troops are approaching southwards from East Prussia.

The population of Warsaw continues to be cheerful, in spite of reported air raids.

Cinemas and theatres are open, and cafes and restaurants are doing business as usual.

### Suicide Garrison Holds On

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The small Polish "Suicide" garrison in Westerplatte is still holding out against vastly superior Nazi forces.

They have been repeatedly bombarded by Nazi guns and planes.

Polish troops from Gdynia, who created a diversion, claim to have taken 12 prisoners, a field gun and three machine guns.

The Warsaw radio is now announcing the names of German officers and soldiers taken prisoner by Polish forces with a word of comfort to their families in Germany.

A German communiqué meanwhile claims that Nazi forces have occupied the whole of Upper Silesia, and to have taken 10,000 prisoners in the Corridor.

### Britain Apologises

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The British Government has expressed profound regret to the Danish Government at the accidental bombing of the town of Esbjerg in Denmark by R.A.F. planes.

The Danish Government stated that bombs dropped on the town were of British make.

A strict enquiry carried out by the Air Ministry in London showed that none of the R.A.F. planes which returned from the successful raid on the Nazi fleet at Wilhelmshaven was responsible.

The Air Ministry can only assume that one of the disabled planes lost its bearing in the bad weather prevailing and bombed Esbjerg in the belief that it was unloading bombs over the sea.

The British Minister at Copenhagen has been ordered to express profound regret at the deplorable accident.

### Military Opinion

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—Military circles are of the opinion that Hitler's Armies are driving a series of frantic thrusts in an effort to crush the Poles before the Franco-British pressure in the west becomes effective.

They consider that, thus far, the Poles have done extremely well in blocking the tempo of the German advance, considering the strategic dis-



THE GERMAN BATTLESHIP GNEISENAU

It was originally supposed, when the Gneisenau and Scharnhorst were laid down, that they were to be of the Deutschland "pocket" battleship design. Actually, they were found to be of a new and much more formidable type.

### FAMOUS RAIDERS

The names, which are also used by two N.D.L. liners well-known in the Far East, commemorate those of two cruisers sunk at the Battle of the Falklands on December 8, 1914.

The Gneisenau, which had a complement of 1,461 officers and men, was equipped with nine 11-in. guns, twelve 5.9-in. guns, fourteen 4.1-in. anti-aircraft guns and sixteen 37 mm. anti-aircraft guns. She carried four aeroplanes, and was protected against aerial bombs by six inches of deck armour.

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### ATHENIA SINKING

## 125 STILL MISSING

### U.S. May Protest To Germany

LONDON, Sept. 6, (UP).—Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons that 125 persons who were on the Athenia when she was torpedoed, are still missing.

He said that the submarine, after torpedoing the Athenia, came to the surface and fired a shell which exploded on the deck of the vessel while the passengers were preparing to take to the life-boats.

U.S.A. Protest?

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6, (UP).—In response to inquiries regarding a possible protest over the sinking of the Athenia, Mr. Hull said that the United States has not received an authoritative final report on the matter.

He said that future developments must await the receipt of the full facts, which the United States is seeking.

German Activity—Compensation

BERLIN, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—It was announced that the German Ambassador will

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### French Forces Near Saarbruecken

## REICH INVADED BY THE ALLIES

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that French troops, preceded by a large number of tanks, have broken through the German defences near Saarbruecken.

The official announcement follows press reports that a very heavy artillery duel had been heard all night from this area.

Saarbruecken is the capital of Saar Province, which reverted to Germany in 1934 after a plebiscite of the population. It was taken from Germany by the League of Nations in 1918.

### Over The Frontier

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—A communiqué states: "Our first elements are progressing beyond the frontier with the advance varying according to the different parts of the front. Everywhere they have encountered automatic arms and field organisation."

"Air activity has co-operated with the land operations."

"Movements prescribed for the mobilisation of transport and the settling-down of all units are proceeding normally."

The communiqué adds that everything possible is being done to facilitate the material existence of the troops, whose morale is excellent.

### Gorman Casualties

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Berlin correspondent of the Danish paper "Berling Skældende" says that the German authorities refuse to publish lists of casualties.

He says that relations of the German dead are informed, but are strictly ordered not to tell others, or to wear mourning.

The same correspondent, visiting Saarbruecken says that the town is lifeless.

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### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	No. Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
2 Garden Lot No. 103.	Adjunction Building, Lot No. 333, Island Road.	as per sale plan.	Above 18,150	\$42	\$36	\$23,550

### Italian Stand Rome Newspapers Less Bellicose

Rome, Sept. 6.

While war news still dominates the morning papers, there is a clear indication that Italy is turning her attention to her own affairs and is less bellicose. It is interesting to find that the *Popolo di Roma* gives several columns of its front page to the Annual Report made to Mussolini of the results of Italian agriculture obtained in 1938 and 1939. This is the first time that any news other than stories directly connected with the crisis and conflict is given such prominence.

On the other hand prominence is given to the German indignation at the accusation regarding the sinking of the *Athenia* for the purpose of furthering Anglo-French-Polish propaganda possibilities, and the violation of Dutch neutrality by British planes.—United Press.

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1 Inland Lot No. 551.	Adjunction Building, Lot No. 333, Island Road.	as per sale plan.	Above 1,850	\$44	\$36	\$23,550

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3 Inland Lot No. 552.	Junction of King's Road & Wing Lung Street.	as per sale plan.	Above 6,170	\$114	\$18,510	

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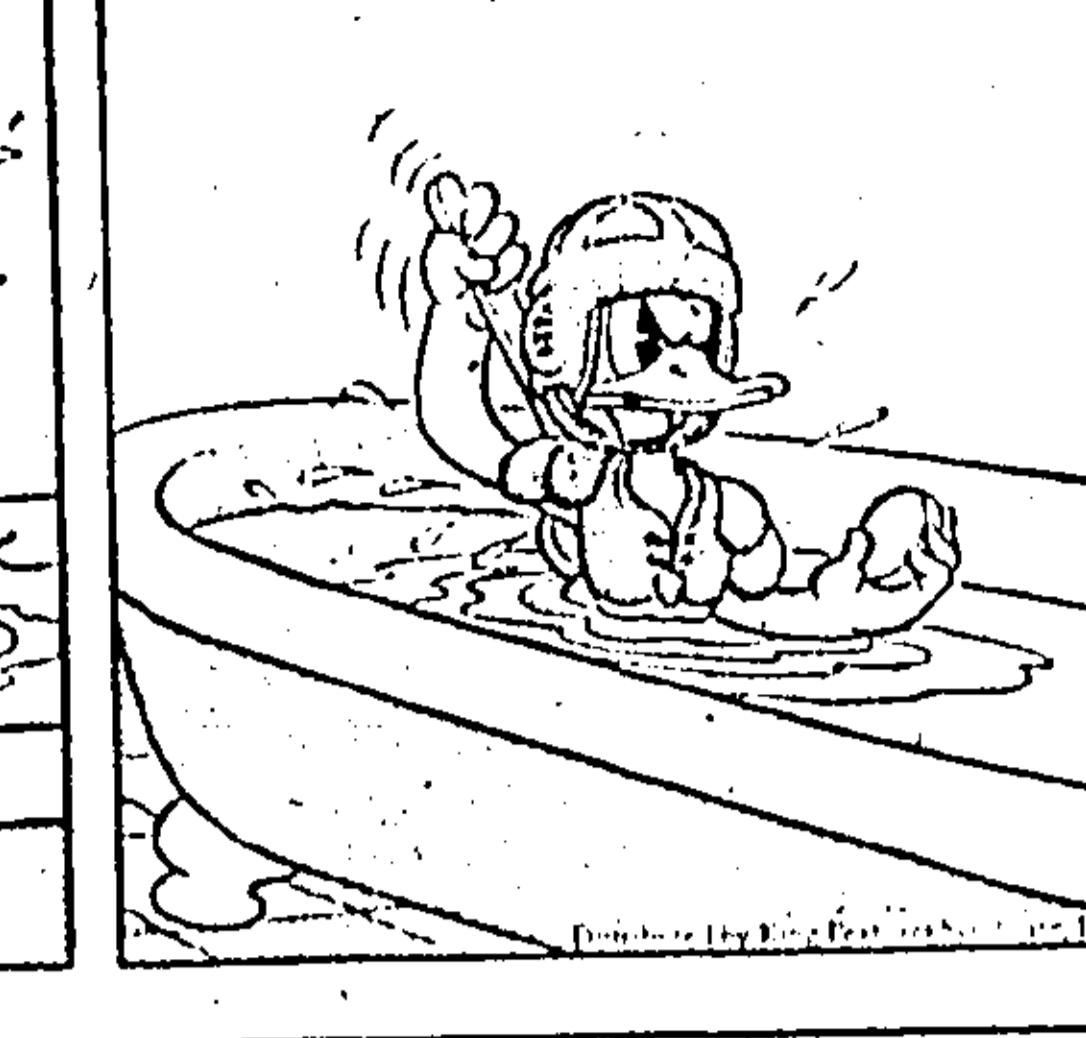
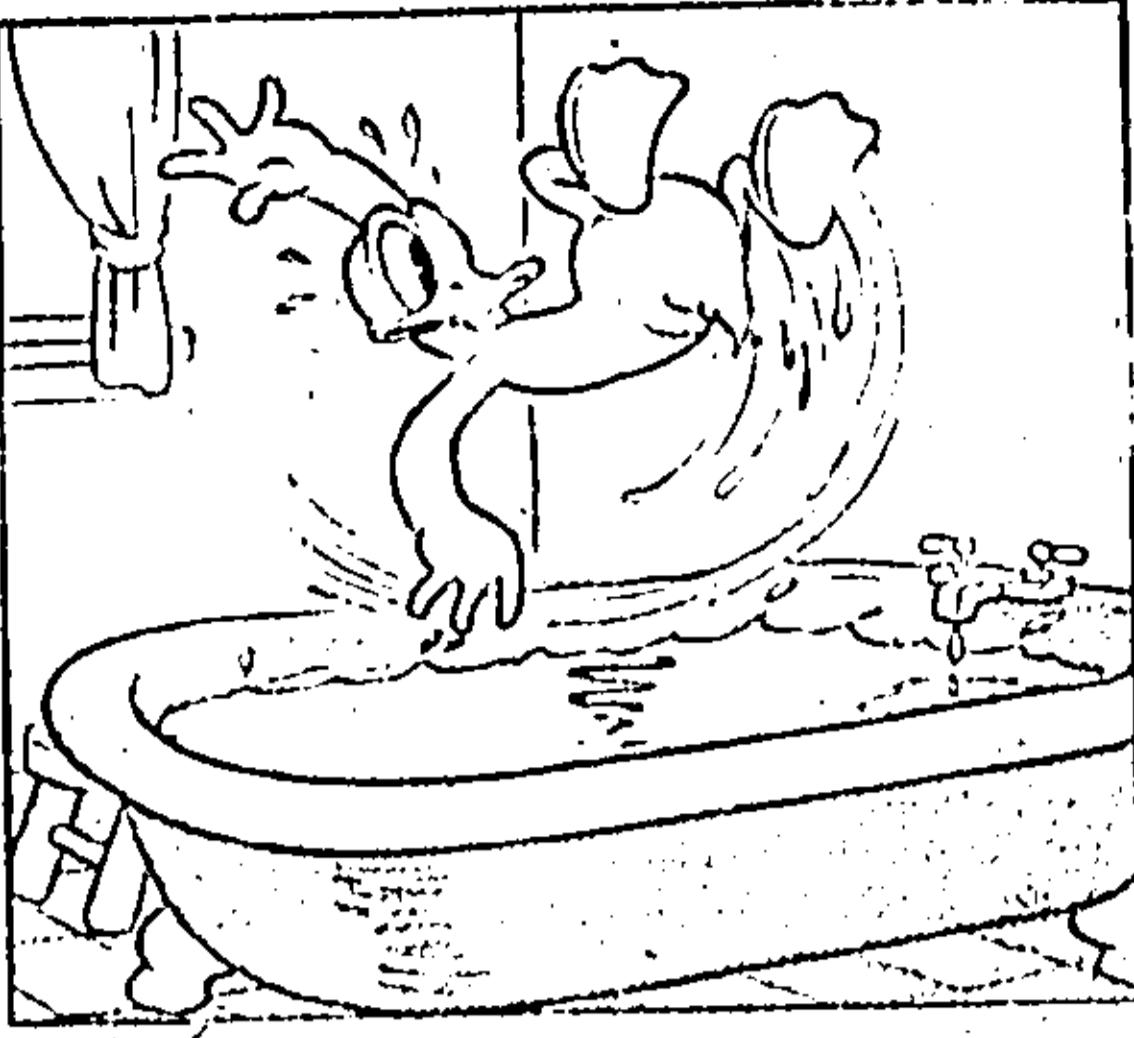
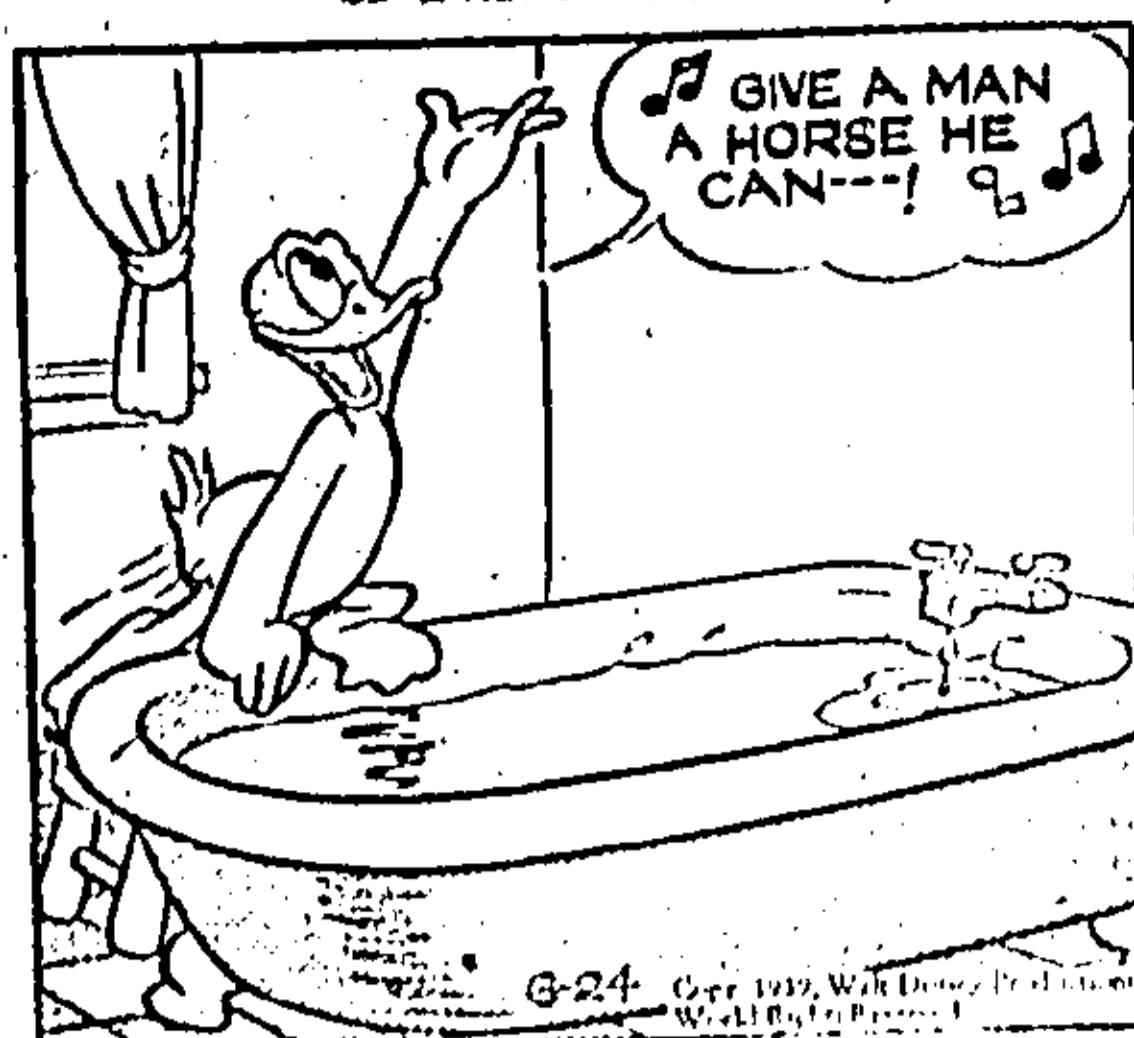
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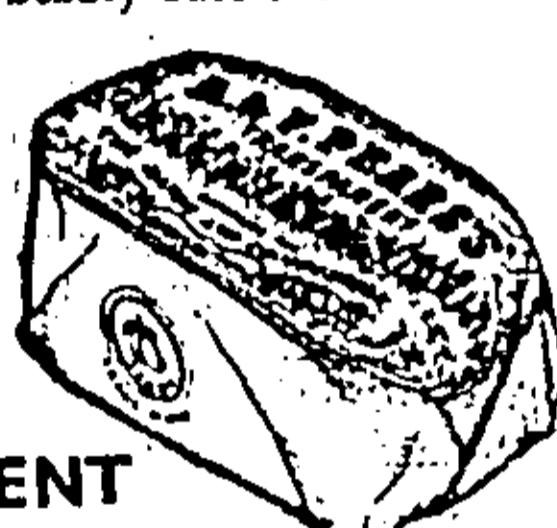
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## NAZI PLANES REPULSED OVER N. SEA

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Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped to make a statement on the general situation to-morrow.

When Mr. Arthur Greenwood, acting leader of the Opposition, asked whether this was the beginning of periodical statements regarding the prosecution of the war, on the understanding that the Opposition did not require anything so public in interest, the Prime Minister said he was in full sympathy with the desire expressed on the understanding mentioned by Mr. Greenwood.

## YUNG YUNG

The first enemy air raid attempt on Britain took place about 6.30 this morning.

## Bombers Driven Off

German bombers were driven off before any bombs were dropped. Several flights of planes had been making for London, but it was impossible to tell whether they were British or German.

For a time all was quiet. The sun shone from the sky and crowds of people stood outside their shelters gazing up to the sky.

Suddenly anti-aircraft guns opened fire and the sky was filled with some shrapnel from shell bursts.

Several squadrons of British planes passed over and the sound of machine gun fire could be plainly heard.

The raiding planes were said to have been seen.

The "all clear" signal was received at Chatham about 9 o'clock.

## A.A. GUNS IN ACTION

Anti-aircraft guns were distinctly heard at Southend.

No guns were fired in Essex, and apparently no planes reached there.

One A.R.P. worker declared: "About 6.30 I saw what appeared to be a German bombing plane flying high and very fast. There was plenty of gun fire."

During the period between the alarm and the all clear signal, several British aircraft passed overhead.

Another report states that no bombs were dropped.

One man saw six aeroplanes flying in two formation of three each. They were fired at by anti-aircraft batteries and driven off.

Later the six planes returned, but were again driven off.

## PLANES DOWNED IN SLOVAKIA

BRATISLAVIA, Sept. 6 (UP).—It is announced that Slovak anti-aircraft guns shot down two Polish bombers over Sabinov at 9 a.m.

It is alleged that one of the planes was damaged as a German craft and was shot down only after it had dropped bombs which, however caused no damage.

## POLISH CAPITAL REMOVED

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has crossed the Lask-Uniejow highway in the direction of Lodz.

It is also announced that the Germans are now 30 miles beyond Cracow, after occupying that city.

## INFIRIATED PEASANTS

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Warsaw correspondent of Havas reports that the peasants are infuriated by German attacks on towns and villages, and are organising spontaneous hunts for German parachutists.

Four officers of the German air force have already been caught.

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## NEWS FLASHES

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London: "He Major General knows well members of your Union will not fail to sustain the honour of the mercantile navy."

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The BBC has started broadcasting in Hungarian. It hopes to start Polish news bulletins in the course of the week.

Romanian and Greek news broadcasts will be introduced as soon as possible. Announcements in other languages are under consideration.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Viscount Cadogan (formerly Sir Thomas Inskip) was introduced to the House of Lords this afternoon, and took his seat as Viscount Cadogan of Bristol.

For the last few days he sat on the Woolsack and acted as Speaker of the House of Lords, while still a Commoner.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The question of an extension of Summer Time is being looked into, it was stated in the House of Commons to-day.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The South African Minister has advised the State Department that South Africa is at war with Germany.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The survivors of the British steamer Bosna were expected to arrive at Lisbon last night.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—A German torpedo boat which grounded at Fredericia has escaped internment as a result of feverish efforts by a German freighter which towed her off.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Close contact with the Government by the Labour Party is foreshadowed in the announcement that prominent Labour leaders have been nominated to keep in touch with the specified Defence Ministers in order to exchange ideas in privacy.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, former First Lord of the Admiralty, will keep in touch with Mr. Winston Churchill.

HONGKULU, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Naval authorities have announced that the United States naval aircraft carrier Langley will probably depart for Manila early on Thursday, carrying her regular equipment.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Treasury announces that besides the credits recently granted to Poland by the British and French governments, a financial agreement between the British, French and Polish governments providing for a cash loan of about £6,500,000 to the Polish Government on the part of the British and French governments, was being signed at the Foreign Office to-day.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—His Majesty paid a surprise visit to the secret headquarters of the R.A.F. fighting command to-day.

He inspected the control rooms and then went over to the anti-aircraft command headquarters nearby.

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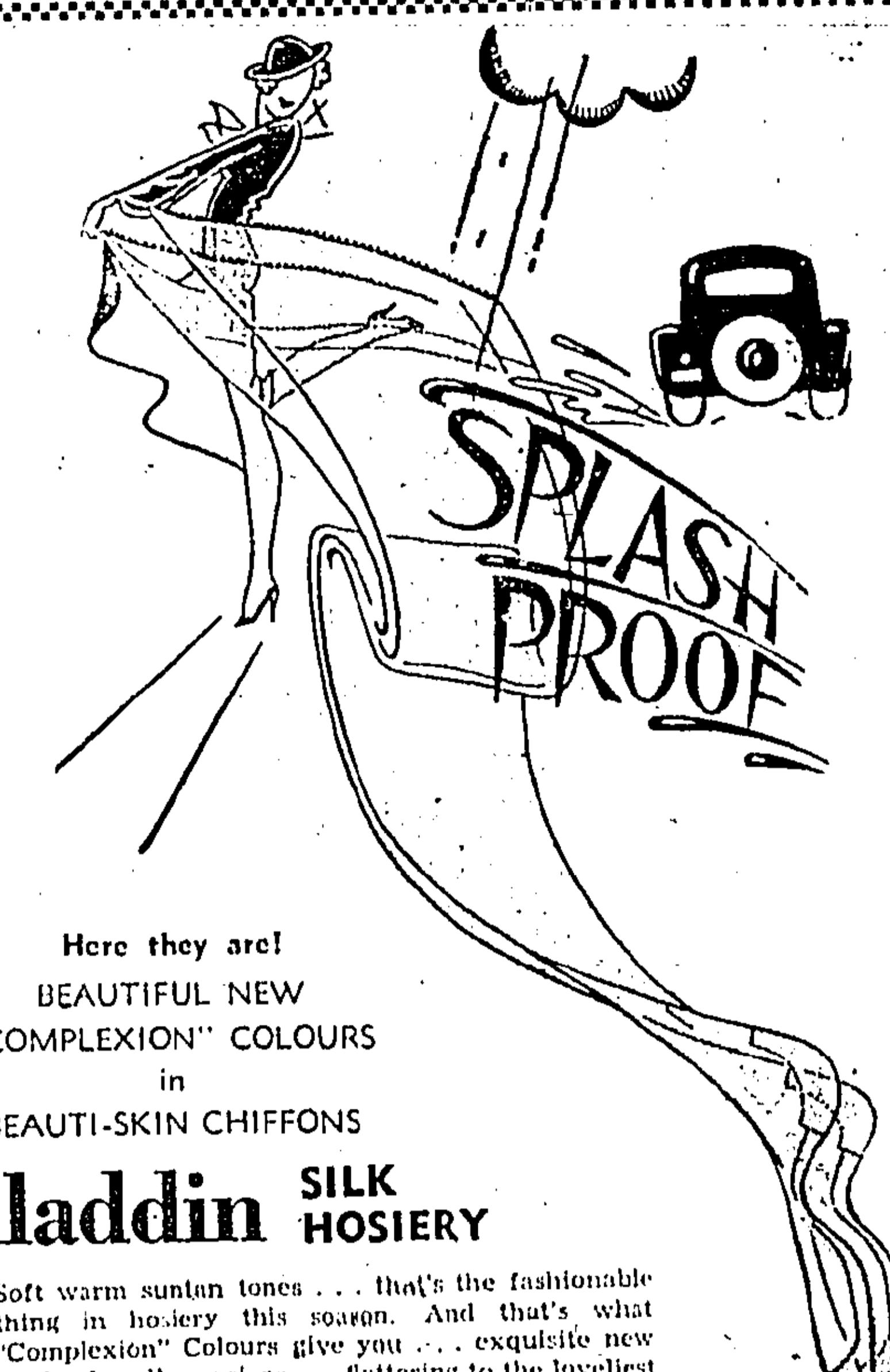
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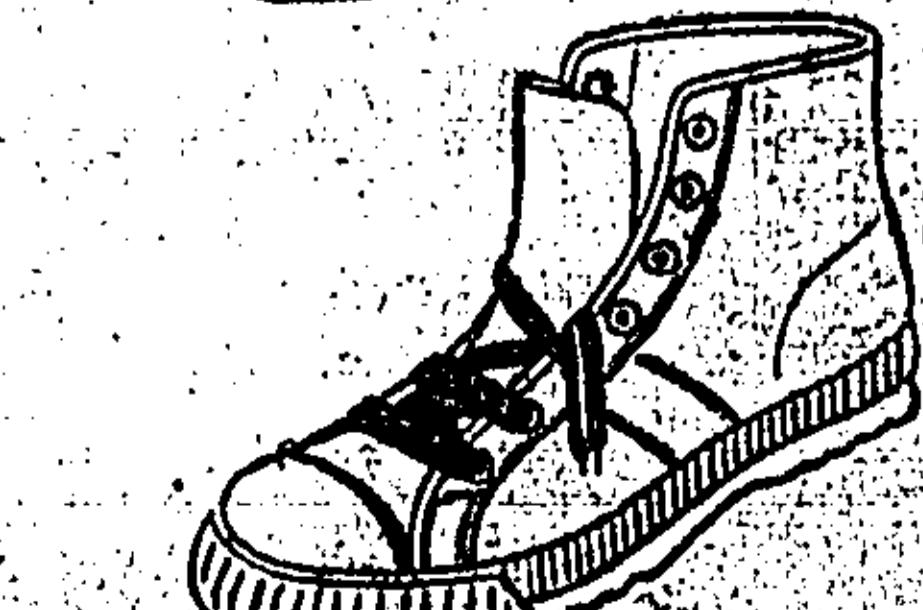
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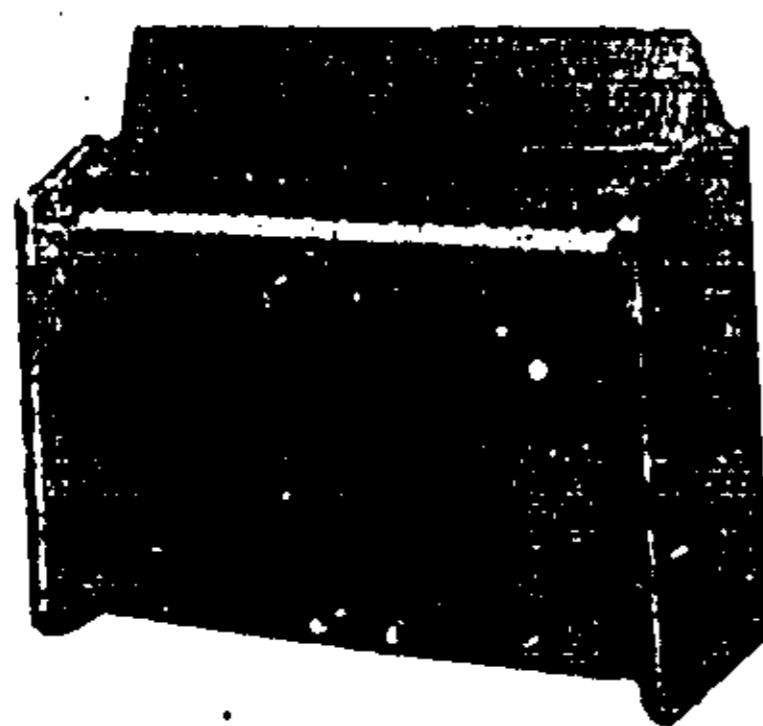
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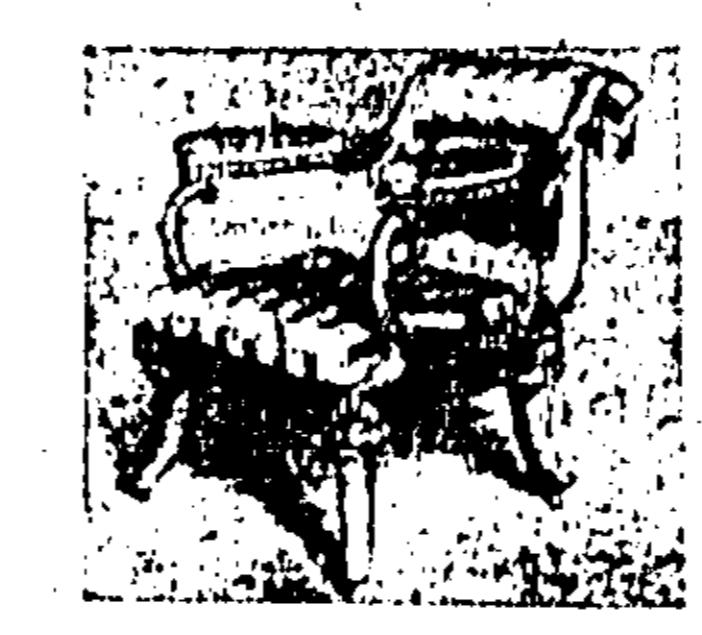
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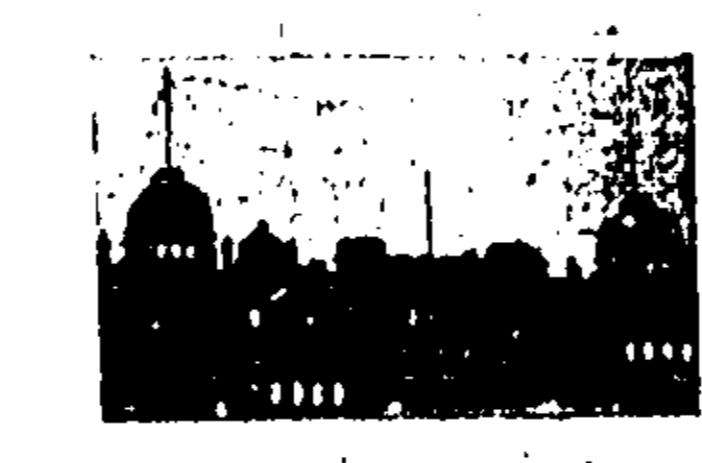
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He is very much of the Boss of the British Navy. His responsibility is so great that he has a little Cabinet of his own, the Board of Admiralty, to advise and direct him. Though he is not compelled to take the Board's advice—he usually does. On the Board sit Britain's Sea Lords—first, second, third, fourth, and the recently appointed fifth—the big executives of the Navy.

Even in the Cabinet his position is enviable . . . he is one of the most powerful of Ministers.

### In Room 40

The house that goes with the job is a much finer place than either No. 10 or No. 11, Downing-street. It stands at the south-east corner of the Admiralty building in Whitehall. Its rooms are spacious and beautifully furnished. The drawing-room has unique furniture—chairs, tables, couches with legs and arms carved in the shape of dolphins. Lord Nelson's body once rested there.

A connecting door links the house with the Admiralty itself. The First Lord has access to every room in this, London's most exciting building. There is Room 40, for instance, the eyes and ears of the world.

Here cipher wireless messages, intercepted from the enemy, were decoded during the war. To-day the Admiralty's most trusted and talented men sit there, linked by radio with the ships and ports of the seven seas. Messages, secret and confidential, pass through their hands. They are just a few of the First Lord's 4,000 staff.

There is the superb Admiralty library, too, if the First Lord feels like reading. Not ordinary reading, though. A hundred thousand books and documents giving details of almost every naval engagement ever fought. Charts and maps and plans to bewilder you.

### His Yacht

And if you want to get away from the stuffy air of Whitehall there is the yacht already mentioned. It is a long-standing tradition that the First Lord is free to use the yacht as he wishes in the performance of his duties.

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The First Lord has a busy job. There are dinners, banquets, luncheons to preside at, speeches to make and naval manoeuvres to attend. There are admirals to interview and inventions to be considered. There is the all-important question of the f's d's of running the Navy. And, finally, there is the task of telling Parliament and, through Parliament, the people all about it.

Members delight in asking difficult questions about the Navy. The First Lord has to answer them.

of the troops (incidentally, in many cases it had this effect) but was a source of knowledge of the movements of troops in France.

What happened was this. A young officer, either home on leave or recovering from a wound usually drift to the West End, and many lived for excitement during their leave. It was easy to suggest a marvellous headache cure. A few doses, and the boy began to find he wanted this cure more frequently. These boys were picked from different regiments and brigades. Later, before they returned to France, they told their commanding officers that they could procure these "cures" if they wrote to him, telling him exactly where they were stationed and where they were going, as he had a friend in France who would bring the "cures" to the line. Officers were allowed to censor their own letters, and only a very small proportion of them were opened at the base. The result was that, in the case of any large movement of troops or a big concentration, it was easy to forecast where an attack was to be launched, and to make a pretty good guess at the number of divisions and units taking part.

Let us suppose that A, a large manufacturing country, is likely at any time to go to war with B, a country that relies on its agriculture for its wealth. A will naturally want to know, besides the essentials of the strength of B's forces, the depots for coal, fuel, and the main sources of supply; the exact amount of munitions stored and being or capable of being manufactured; and the routes by which raw materials will be brought into the country.

This knowledge will have to be gained in days of peace, in order that A's forces can commence their aerial or even secret sabotage. B's ports and depots, as soon as war commences, will likewise want to know the food supplies to A, the amount of food that is capable of storing. These factors will be B's weak points.

It is interesting to remember that one of the most concentrated work done by spies during the war was not in the belligerent countries, as might be imagined, but in America, Sweden, Holland, and Denmark. These countries were the sources of supply to the combatants, and it was vital importance for either side to know of what material the other side was running short.

Years ago there was a great libel case in which the words "The Black Book" occurred very frequently. It was stated that the Germans had a book giving the names of nearly every important and public person in Britain, and against these names were their habits, vices, and remarks on their characters.

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difficult to obtain the drug that he would

do anything to obtain it, a slight pressure was often put upon him and he actually became an unwilling tool in the enemy's hands.

Luckily the organization that was responsible for this branch of activity was discovered and squashed at a very early stage, not before they had brought about the death of several boys who, rather than betray their own country, had taken their lives in their own hands.

Spies are not cowards. They work like moles, underground, tunnelling, destroying or weakening the strength of their opponents. They face trial, imprisonment, and death for their own countries, knowing that should they be discovered none will help them. They fall—and the price of failure is shame. They succeed—and only they and those directly above them ever hear of their success.

No rewards, no honours come their way. Only the knowledge that they have served their country as well as and perhaps even better than another one who led an army or captured a citadel.

In the absence of newspapers, the grocer and the milkman, who were in daily touch with people from outside, became the chief sources of news.

After the fearful flurry of the past few days, with the bulletins from the

PLEASE Turn To Page 3.

### At The Gates Of Paris

Anniversary Of The Marne

It was on the morning of Sunday, September 6, 1914, that Paris knew that something had happened which would decide the fate of the war. For three days von Kluck's Army had been within striking distance of the capital; for three days we had waited for the sound of gunfire from the forts, signifying that the attack had begun. And now it was not coming. It was quite clear that it was not coming. Gallieni's brief communiqué, collected late on Saturday night from the Press Bureau in the Rue de Grenelle, had run as follows:

The German Army is still moving away from Paris and continuing the movement entered on two days ago. It follows from the information received that the enemy's troops have evacuated the Compiegne-Senlis district.

We had known nothing about the movement away from Paris, but that made the news all the more decisive.

Something had happened. The German Army, which a week before had been in full march through Compiegne and Senlis for the gates of Paris, had found something to take it elsewhere. "Ah," said the street gossips, "nous verrons, nous verrons, blont quelque chose."

Paris in those days lay as though hypnotized. The terrible reality of the invasion had come upon it so swiftly as to be almost unrealizable. The writer, then a member of the Paris staff of The Times, had left France about August 20 for a short visit to England. Fighting on the Belgian frontier was then still confined to skirmishes. The name Mons was still unfamiliar. A short ten days later, on Sunday, August 30, he returned to France.

The train from Boulogne was four hours late in starting and the chef de gare would not guarantee that it would get to Paris. Before it had reached Abbeville it was crowded to roof and doorsteps with refugees from Belgium, from Lille, from every town in the Pas-de-Calais, soldiers and civilians together.

It took 10 hours to reach Paris. Crowds were gathered at every little railway station and level crossing through Normandy to ask for news from the north as the train rolled slowly by.

All through the night, at one junction after another, we were held up to let troop-train after troop-train pass, all moving south.

In Paris everything was a hubbub. Everybody seemed to be leaving.

The railway stations at the Quai d'Orsay and Montparnasse were packed with helpless crowds struggling for places in the trains. People poured on to the river quays, and left without knowing where they would get to. It was awfully hot. No one knew where the Germans were.

The official news placed them at Noyon, but a chance acquaintance who had come that morning from Compiegne testified to having seen British sappers blow up the stone bridge over the Oise. That meant that the retreat was still in progress, and Compiegne was only 30 miles away.

## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

## TENDER REUNIONS

## First Visitors' Day At Internment Camp

There were scenes of tender and grateful reunion at La Salle College yesterday when, for the first time, the internment camp was opened to visitors. In the period from 5 to 6.30 p.m. approximately 200 visited the camp's 92 inmates.

There were about 50 clustered inside the bashed wire fence by the time the visiting period began and these were reported up the college drive by guards. A dozen nationalities were represented in the crowd, for the wives, sisters, and children of the internees were supported by friends of other nationalities.

They became clustered in the entrance hall as three officers rapidly inspected the parcels they carried. These consisted of baskets, ports, brown-paper parcels, bundles of clothing, and piles of magazines and books. A few newspapers, which are forbidden, and alcoholic drinks were confiscated.

Another period of congestion occurred on the floor above while the names and addresses of the visitors were taken, and then they were allowed to meet the internees in the halls and dining room on the first floor. The process will be simplified on future occasions, the names and addresses of most prospective visitors having now been taken.

## Fervent Reunions

There were fervent reunions in the dining hall, suggesting that husbands and their wives and families had been parted for months rather than for a few days, but there was no empty lamenting and there were more smiles than tears. The women-folk were obviously resigned to the inevitable, and the internees were appreciative of the gentle discipline of Commandant Major L. D. S. Gordon and his men.

There were reluctant partings when the end of the visiting period was called at 6.30 p.m., many having been misled by the published notification that the period would be from 5 to 7 p.m. The younger married couples hung back a little and lingered over embraces that must suffice until Saturday.

A routine for the internees was fixed when the camp opened and is still in force. It allows them a certain amount of freedom, which will probably be amplified as the camp becomes more settled. At present they rise at 7 a.m. Roll call, by their numbers, is taken at 8.15 a.m. and breakfast follows. There is an inspection of their sleeping quarters at 10 a.m. and they are allowed outdoor recreation from 11 to 12.30. At noon the Commandant hears any complaints or suggestions they have to make.

Tiffin is at 12.30 and from then until 4 p.m. the internees keep to their dormitory, reading and playing chess or cards. Though Aryan and non-Aryan sections have been formed the internees mix freely at this and at all other times. There is another recreation period from 4.30 to 6 p.m., when a last meal is taken. The roll is called again at 8 p.m. and "light out" is at 10.15.

## Now Procedure To-day

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From to-day the spacious school theatre, with its stage and piano, will be made available to the internees, who include many capable musicians. Yesterday a canteen was opened in the theatre, which will be "wet" from 5 to 5.45 p.m., beer being the only alcoholic drink available. Each internee will be allowed a limit of \$10 a week from his confiscated resources for canteen purchases. The theatre can be used for recreation in wet weather.

Internees are responsible for the cleanliness of the dormitory and of their own belongings. Chinese labour not being used for this purpose, a washroom where clothing hung dry indicated yesterday that many of them had already been busy washing.

## Future Visiting Hours

Visiting hours have now been fixed at from 5 to 6.30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Visitors arriving at the outside gate later than 5.30 p.m. are liable to be refused admission. At present newspapers may not be taken in, though this ruling may eventually be relaxed; nor may alcoholic drinks, including beer, be taken in.

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## WESTERN FRONT FIGHTING BREAKS OUT: PARIS RAIDED

The invaders of Poland are being stoutly resisted but it appears from the reports that some progress is being made on the front directed against Warsaw and gunfire can be heard in the city.

At least some Government departments and many civilians have been evacuated from the city in anticipation of a German occupation.

The Polish Army may retire behind the Vistula, while the enemy are pressing a plincer movement to close the Corridor from the coast and advance inland.

A counter-attack by the defenders in the south is reported. Air attacks continued unmilitated over Poland, and Nazi planes are said to have dropped troops wearing Polish uniforms to commit sabotage.

An air raid on Berlin is reported from Warsaw and London but denied in the German capital.

On the western front the French and German armies have already joined issue and the French claim to have made advances in many places. Severe shelling between the Maginot and Siegfried Lines is reported.

Paris, Sept. 6.

An official communiqué issued to-day said the engagements on the western front are understood to be preliminary manoeuvres by the advancing French and German troops.

Official announcements have advised that there has been no real fighting on the western front up to 3.45 p.m. yesterday.

Contact between the opposing forces has been mainly in the nature of observation operations.

Communications from the front are entirely in military hands.—United Press.

## Heavy Bombardment

London, Sept. 6.

A heavy artillery bombardment is reported from Germany's western frontier. Newspaper correspondents report a heavy artillery duel in the Moselle region, the firing lasting all night, but a German communiqué reports that the western front is quiet.—Reuter Bulletin.

Industrial Centres Attacked

Paris, Sept. 6.

The Paris Midi reports that the allied air forces heavily bombed the Hindenburg industrial centres principally around Aix-la-Chapelle.—United Press.

French Troops Advance

Paris, Sept. 6.

A communiqué states that several localised advances were made last evening and overnight.—United Press.

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## NEW PROPOSAL BY JAPAN TO BRITAIN

## Withdrawal Of Troops From China Suggested

TOKYO, Sept. 6.

COMMENTING on Japan's communications to the belligerent and other Powers on Japan's neutrality in the European war, the "Hochi Shimbun" declares that a neutral attitude does not mean a negative time-saving policy.

On the contrary it implies Japan's firm determination to stick to her legitimate claims in connection with the construction of a new order in East Asia no matter what country she would be called to deal with. Three which were made to the Japanese Ambassador concerned by Mr. K. Suzuki, the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, yesterday.

The three are: Japan will not intervene in the European war; Japan entertains grave concern over the attitude of the Powers towards the China Affair;

Japan requests the belligerent Powers to eliminate all possible causes for disputes or friction between them and Japan in China. Allegedly it is a suicide pact.

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The Italian Embassy and also the Tientsin Consul-General are making investigations.—United Press.

## Double Shooting

## Italian And Russian Girl In Peiping Tragedy

Peiping, Sept. 6.

An Italian employee of the Italian semi-official trade agency, Centro Commerciale Italiano, named M. Larcher was involved with a Russian girl in a double shooting incident in the Peking Hotel yesterday. Allegedly it is a suicide pact.

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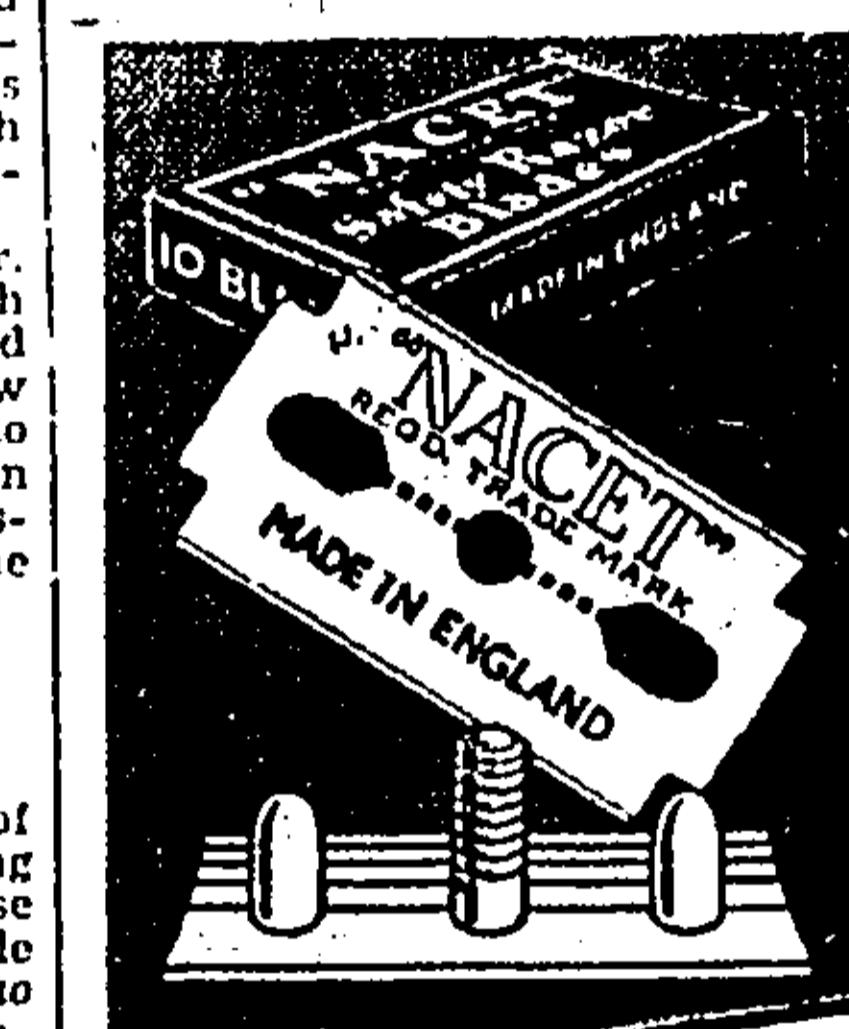
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"NACET" BLADES

## Wang's Comment

Shanghai, Sept. 6.

Commenting on the outbreak of the second European war, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, leader of the Chinese peace movement, in a signed article published by the "Chung Hua Jih Pao" to-day, declares that the present conflict in Europe should be attributed to intrigues by the Soviet Union:

Immediately responsible for the outbreak of the European war, according to the Chinese leader, is the conclusion of the Soviet-German non-aggression pact.

Referring to Japan's decision to remain neutral in connection with the European war, Mr. Wang Ching-wei believes it possible for Japan to align herself with Britain and France, while he also believes Italy will eventually side with the anti-German front because she is opposed to Communism.—Domel.

## Japanese Press Point

Shanghai, Sept. 6.

It is officially stated that Rear-Admiral Okawa's Chief of Staff called on the British and French Consulates-General and urged them to comply with "Tuesday's request," but a Japanese navy spokesman who made the announcement said that he

## Trotsky On Axis

Mexico City, Sept. 5.

M. Trotsky charged that Russia has taken Japan's place in the Rome-Berlin axis. The Russia-German treaty had "broken the comintern's backbone" and was provoked by the chaos in the minds of the world. The pact is a capitulation of M. Stalin before Fascist imperialism to reserve the Soviet oligarchy, Stalin, above all, is afraid of war.

"His policy of capitulation towards Japan in recent years testifies to this, Stalin cannot make war with discredited workers and peasants and a decimated Red Army. Kremlin advocates refer to the fact that the pact broke the Axis isolation of Japan; in reality, the Soviet took Japan's place in the structure of the axis."—United Press.

Observers contrast Japan's present position with the World War when she participated as an ally of Britain. Some experts still believe that Japan and Britain will in the future reach a new accord which, if only a short alliance, will nevertheless adjust and harmonise their mutual interests in Asia.

Meanwhile it is believed that Japan's neutrality will place her in a position to profit from commercial sales in the markets which Britain, France and Germany are at present unable to supply. It is also believed that Japan's neutrality has furnished better potential basis for improvement of relations with the United States than it allied to the Axis.

However, such improvement depends largely on Japan's policy, since the authorities are not optimistic that United States and Japanese relations will benefit promptly.

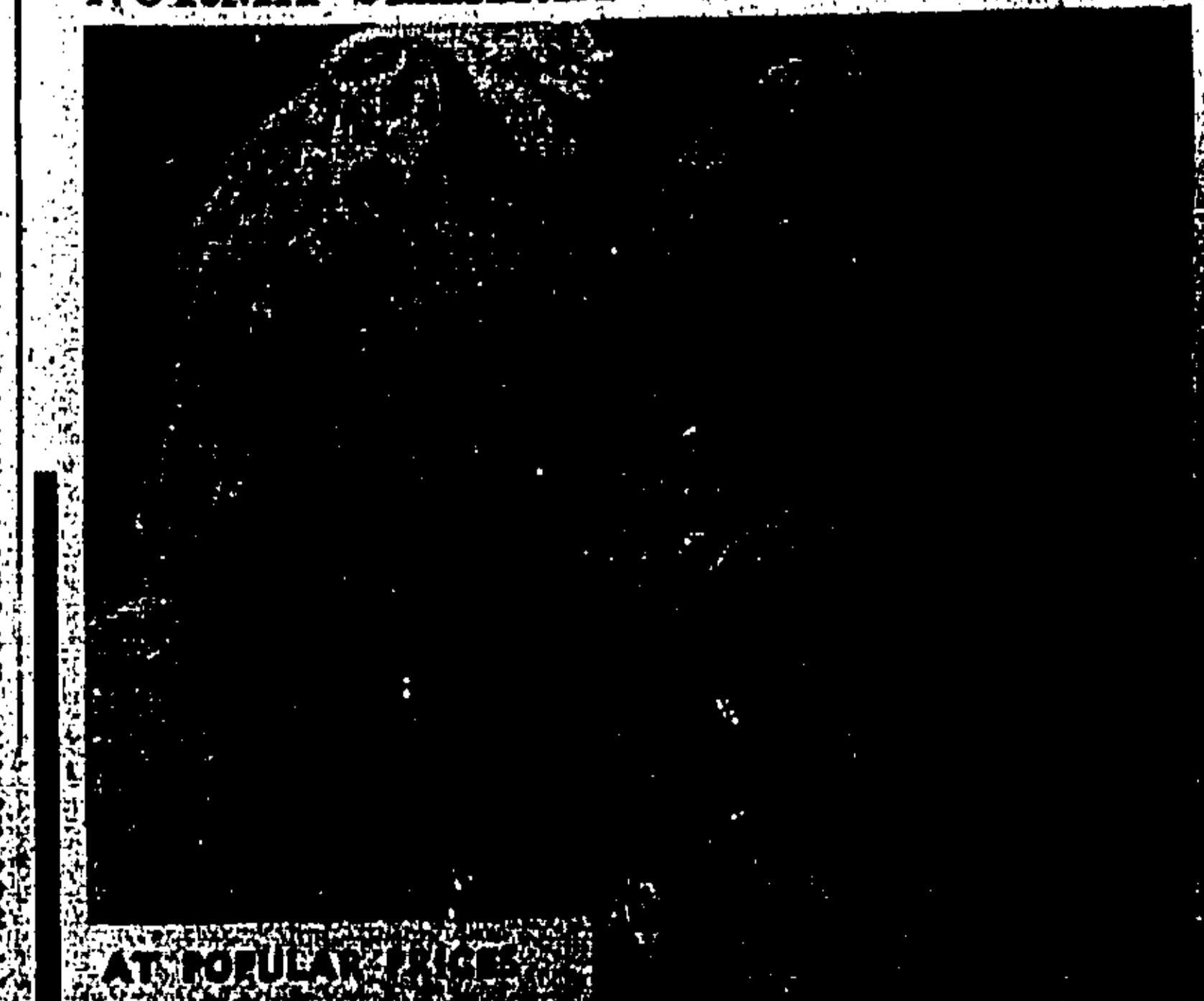
Although it is expected that Britain and France are less able to assist China with military supplies, experts doubt whether China would be materially weaker. Since recently markedly increased without producing evidence of Hitler's aggression, China is regarded as a potential ally of self-government in Asia.

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# A.R. DALLAH, LEADING 20-10, BEATEN 21-20 IN LAWN BOWLS FINAL

**Magnificent Recovery  
By U.M. Omar But He Was Lucky To Win**

(By "Abe")

With due respect to U.M. Omar's fine fighting finish, I am sure many people who saw the game will agree that he was very lucky to beat A.R. Dallah in the final of the Open Bowls Singles Championship of the Colony on the Club de Recreio green yesterday. Trailing 10-20 on the 14th head, he finally won 21-20 after a magnificent recovery as has ever been seen in the tournament-aided and abetted by a few atrocious mistakes by Dallah.

Indeed, when he recovered from a 2-8 deficit to lead 17-10 after seven consecutive successful heads, and later scored a three on the 14th head to lead 20-10, Dallah was playing so well that he seemed to have the match in his pocket. He was outplaying Omar in every department at this stage and I am sure there were many people who thought, as I did, that a victory for him was just a matter of time. What made this impression all the stronger was the fact that Omar had lost his sense of weight and was always that yard through or short.

But there was a surprise for all. On the 15th end, Dallah, leading 20-10, was lying one when Omar had his last wood to roll. The latter took a desperate chance with a drive. He could have drawn, for Dallah's shot was in a perfect position for a rest, but probably he could not rely on a draw and preferred a drive instead. As it happened, his gamble came off and with the two he got on this head by taking the jack down to the ditch, he kept the game alive. With this success, he also seemed to develop new courage, and it was now his turn to dominate the play. He scored another two on the 16th end, followed by single on the next.

#### A BAD BLUNDER

It was on the 18th head that Dallah, in my opinion, made his biggest blunder of the match. When he had his last wood to roll, Omar was lying three round the jack, with his fourth wood wide by the side. Dallah was lying fourth with two back woods. He, therefore, had nothing to lose by taking a "crack" at the jack. If he carried the kitty he had his back woods to receive it; if he did not hit the jack, there was a good chance of taking out one or two of Omar's shot woods; or even if he had missed jack and woods, he would not have given away more than three. Instead, Dallah preferred to draw, ignoring the fact that it needed a very good shot indeed to say, let alone take first shot. A heavy wood, in my view, was certainly called for inasmuch as he could allow for a greater margin of error. As it was, Dallah went slightly narrow although he had the perfect weight, and his wood swung across the green. With the three he obtained here, Omar was now only two shots behind, 18-20.

If the 18th head was a bad one for Dallah, the 19th was even worse, for on this end he conceded another three to lose the match. Omar was short with his first wood, but drew two beauties with his second and third, while Dallah, heavy with his first, was narrow with second and third. Omar tried to block with his fourth, but failed and the position when Dallah had the last wood was this: Omar was lying two, Dallah had third and two back woods.

#### UNFORTUNATE ENDING

Then in playing a pound-on shot, Dallah went wide and had the mortification of seeing it cut Omar's front wood in for the third shot, which

gave the latter the match. It was an unfortunate ending for Dallah, but in a way he only had himself to blame for allowing the match to become so tight. When he led 20-10, the odds were a dollar to a lemon that he would win the title for the first time, but he failed to seize his chance.

Such a splendid bowler as Dallah is bound to go far; but I make bold to say that even if he does succeed in winning the championship in the near future, he is not likely to have the same chance of winning as comfortably as he should have done yesterday.

He had victory in his grasp, only to let it go again.

#### FIGHTING FINISH

The greatest tribute one can pay to Omar, who won the Colony title for the fourth time—thus setting a record which will take a long time to break—is that he never admitted defeat even in the face of his opponent's substantial lead. He played some beautiful shots at the start and at the end, but on the whole he played no better than Dallah. He won because he made his recovery just in time and because Dallah played right into his hands by his timidity on the 18th and 19th heads.

Rain threatened to ruin the match. Several showers came down when the game was in progress and stoppages had to be made each time. The change in the weight of the green affected Omar more than Dallah, losing 8-2 before the last heavy shower. Omar never scored again until Dallah had reached 17. The green was drawing well, with one hand taking a little more than the other.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was amongst the spectators who saw one of the best finals ever played in the history of the championship. Never before has the margin of one shot separated the champion from the runner-up.

The following are the scores head by head:

	U. M. Omar	A. R. Dallah
1	2	2
2	2	4
3	3	4
4	3	7
5	1	8
6	-	8
7	-	8
8	-	8
9	-	8
10	-	8
11	-	8
12	-	14
13	2	10
14	-	10
15	-	12
16	-	14
17	1	15
18	3	18
19	3	21

The match was umpired by Mr. Chittenden.

#### Interport Players' Departure Delayed

The departure of the Hongkong Interport lawn bowls team has been delayed, and the players will now leave on Sunday morning by the Conte Blancamano instead of tomorrow, by the Tjinegara as originally arranged.

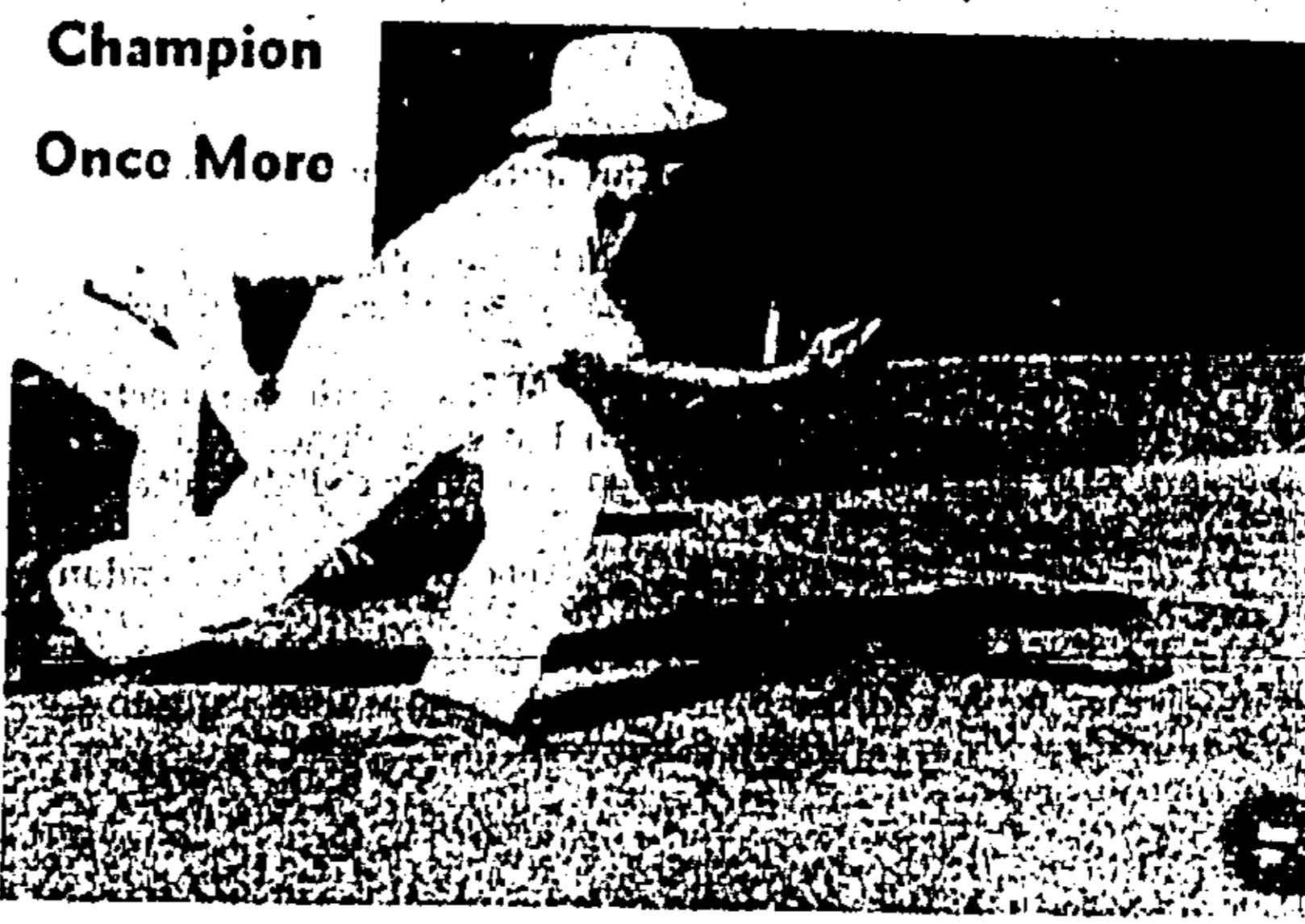
So Near And  
Yet So Far



A.R. Dallah, when leading 20-10 on the 14th head against U.M. Omar, seemed to have victory within his grasp yesterday, but he was defeated by 21-20.—Staff Photographer.

Champion

Once More



U. M. Omar yesterday set up a local lawn bowls record which may never be equalled when he won the Colony singles title for the fourth time by beating A.R. Dallah 21-20 after one of the best matches in the history of the competition. Omar at one stage was trailing 10-20, but in five heads he scored 2, 2, 1, 3 and 3 to win.—Staff Photographer.

## Killed While Playing Bowls

Mr. Alfred Robinson, a plumber, who was watching the game said: "One man had just thrown and Knowles was walking up when suddenly there was a blinding light. Knowles seemed to explode. His clothing flew all over the place. It was the worst lightning I have ever seen."

In several places near where Knowles had been walking the turf was cut as though by a knife. While playing a bowls foursome at Peel Green, Lancashire, on August 26, Mr. Edward Knowles, aged 45, of Harrison Street, Peel Green, was killed by lightning. Two of his friends, Stanley Hardman and Stanley Knight, were treated in hospital for burns and shock.

## Hongkong Rifle Association

### Programme For Year Now Announced

The Hongkong Rifle Association will commence its 1939-40 programme on Wednesday next, Sept. 13, with a "Spoon and Practice Shoot" at 200 yds., 500 yds. and 600 yds.

**Pool Bull:** Two targets will be reserved for Pool Bull shooting.

Firing will commence at 1.45 p.m.

#### PROGRAMME DATES

The following are the dates for the shooting programme: 1939:

Sept. 13, 20, 24, 27.  
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 29.  
Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 26, 29.  
Dec. 6, 13, 17, 20.

**Effect At Home**

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**THE EFFECT OF THE WAR IN ENGLAND**

Of course, is greater than it is here. It is greater even than in 1914. At least in that year the Football League programme was carried through and the F.A. Competition was played. But this year the Football League has already suspended all matches. Furthermore, the Ryder Cup golf match between Great Britain and the United States, scheduled to take place in America in November, has been cancelled, and the projected visit of the M.C.C. cricket team to India this winter has also been called off.

Recently the West Indies cricket team, which toured England during the summer, left for home suddenly when the crisis developed.

Everyone was surprised by their departure, which was decided upon at only a few hours' notice. They had to cancel their five remaining fixtures. They were due to play Sussex at Hove, Kent at Canterbury, followed by festival matches at Skegness, Folkestone and Scarborough.

It is reported that the suggestion to sell home immediately came from Kent.

**Tour Ruined**

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In the case of the West Indies cricketers, the war did not affect them too badly; at least they had completed most of their fixtures in England. But with the Australian rugby players who have only just arrived in the country, the war is a sad blow. They arrived on September 1 to be greeted by the announcement of war. Thus without playing a single game, they found their tour completely ruined. The 1939-40 rugby season at home was expected to have a special interest this year.

In view of the visit of the Australians and the lifting of the ban on France and French clubs, an unusually attractive season...had been anticipated; but this is not to be. The average age of the Australian side is under 24, and the average weight of the forwards 12 stone 12 lbs. and they came with the reputation of being exceptionally powerful in front but with no outstanding back. A programme of 28 fixtures had been arranged for them, beginning with a match against Devon and Cornwall at Devonport on September 10 and ending up against England at Twickenham on January 6. There was also the likelihood of an extra game against France afterwards, and they had arranged to play in Canada on their return home.



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*BEHAR	8,000	14th Oct.	Bombay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
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President Roosevelt, in White House office, admires banners sent by the Philippine people to America as token of good-will. Francis B. Sayro, now Commissioner to the islands, is in centre background. Paul V. McNutt, former Commissioner, at right.



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1. Tides and Weather

1.03 Dance Music

For-Trot—Too Lovely To Be True (Landauer); Fox-Trot—The Pretty Little Patchwork Quilt (Roberts); ... Jack Wilson and His Versatile Five; Tango-Victor Tempos; (La Pera); Tango-Condena (Fracisco); Fox-Trot—Some Day My Prince Will Come (Churchill); Fox-Trot—Whistle While You Work (Churchill); ... The Orchestra of Merry Men; Rumba-Rumba Tambor (Hernandez); Rumba and Chorus of Girls; The Lady In Red (Wrubel); ... Geraldine and His Rumba Orchestra; Fox-Trot—The Lambeth Walk (Rose); Billy Thorburn and His Music; 3.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.05 A Mozart Programme

Overture—La Flûte Philomèle, K.198; Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra cond by Bruno Walter; Dove Song (Vivaldi); Arias from Don Giovanni (Mozart); ... The Barber of Seville (Spotts); ... The Magic Flute (Mozart); Harmonium Concerto (Mozart).

Fiat Major, K.310, Edwin Fischer and his Chamber Orchestra; 2.43 Backhaus at the Piano, Nachtstücke in F Major, Op. 23, No. 4 (Schumann); Solfe de Vienne, No. 6 (Schubert arr. by Liszt); Variations on An Original Theme, Op. 21, No. 1 (Brahms).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

### Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Monks found on certain Australian Islands

2—Monasteries church and religious instrument

3—Remain

4—Gutting tools

5—Weird

6—Devoid

7—Source of vitality

8—Dietary answer

9—Particulars

10—Notice of notice by newspapers

11—Cannibalism

12—Social meal of first Christians

13—Water

14—Proverbial language

15—Falling

16—Letter of alphabet

17—List of animals

18—Machine parts

19—Hindu

20—Ancestry covering all seed

21—Piece of cloth

22—Section of Koran

23—Blacket

24—Oriental herbaceous plant

25—Kakapo

26—Kakapo

27—Kakapo

28—Kakapo

29—Kakapo

30—Kakapo

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## CANADA'S POSITION

### May Be More Useful As "Sleeping Partner"

Ottawa, Sept. 6. Canada has rushed completion of preparations whereby she will stand at Britain's side.

Observers speculate on the form her assistance will take.

The proclamation at Washington naming the countries at war omitted Canada. Some sources believe that a formal declaration of war might not be made by Canada immediately in order to continue the import of United States products, including munitions for defence.

It is understood that as long as Canada refrained from belligerent action she could import anything she desired.

The problem of sending troops to Britain might be circumvented by making enlistments directly into the British regiments rather than sending a Canadian army overseas.—United Press.

### No Profiteering

London, Sept. 5. The Canadian Ministry of Labour announces that the Prices and Trade Board will have certain powers to prevent profiteering in necessities in Canada.—Reuters.

## German Evacuation

### Canton Residents For Macao

Shanghai, Sept. 6. About 150 Germans in Shanghai are still in the French Concession, many being non-Nazi Aryans. They are permitted to carry on normal business.

Germans are unable to leave as German liners are not calling. Some residents are engaged in buying raw materials such as antimony from China.

Germans have left the British and French Concessions at Shanghai and will leave to-day for Macao. A confirmed vernacular report says Italian residents are also preparing to leave. There are only two or three Italians, apart from the consular staff, but many are engaged in missionary work in Shikuan—International.

### Tientsin Position

Tientsin, Sept. 6. The British Concession authorities have decided to seize the property of German nationals in the Concession pending termination of the European conflict.

Business transactions between British and German interests in Tientsin were immediately suspended with the British declaration of war against Germany. British authorities announced that no personal molestation would be permitted against German residents.—Reuters.

## LATE NEWS

## AT THE GATES OF PARIS

(Continued from Page 4)

front each more terribly significant than the last, this placid and untroubled existence was singularly restful. Here we were within sense and sound of two great armies at strife with one another, yet it was difficult to believe that anything exciting or abnormal was afoot. Paris seemed asleep. Subconsciously every one was waiting for the storm to break, but as it happens in moments of great crisis, time seemed to be standing still, while the gods pondered over the fate of man as they weighed it in the balance.

The best sign was that there was no noise of Paris being cut off from the coast. The Germans had occupied Amiens, but they had not reached the Seine. What they were doing we could not understand. Then came the official news that they were moving away from Paris, and at last it dawned on us that the assault for which we had been waiting in dread was not going to take place. Then came rumours of the fighting. The grocer and the milkman had it that a big battle was going on near Meaux, only 15 miles away. The fort at Claye had fired its guns.

The Germans had built a bridge across the Marne; it had been destroyed by gunfire, and hundreds of them had been drowned. Things were going well, they said. Then another report passed from mouth to mouth. All the taxi drivers, it was said, had been taken to rush troops to the front—recruited in the street—the police had done it by order from Gallieni's headquarters. It was true; not a taxi was to be found. Things were evidently getting hot out there.

### THE BATTLE WON

Next morning the writer and another British journalist obtained a pass to go from Paris to Dijon by car. We had no intention of going to Dijon. That was merely a device to get outside the gates. Once well away from Paris, the big Rolls-Royce was turned north, and presently, by a series of minor stratagems and a stroke or two of good luck, we found ourselves on the hills above Meaux.

Here the situation was plain at a glance. The fields all around were littered with the debris of a day-old battle. Rifles, entrenching tools, bits of equipment, lay about the roads, and here and there the dead bodies of many of those brave tirailleurs who had marched gaily through Paris four days before. But the battle had been won. The Germans were already three miles away beyond the further ridge being pounded by French artillery beside us on the hill, and the infantry could be seen through field-glasses going steadily forward. Down in the valley below, half-submerged in the river, lay a limousine with the drowned bodies of three German officers. It was obviously a patrol which had attempted a daring reconnaissance on the flank of the Allied Army, and had met its fate the night before, trying to rejoin the German forces. The car had tried to cross the Marne by a bridge which had been blown up, and had ploughed straight into the river. This little tragedy seemed to us to embody the failure of the whole German campaign.

The official bulletins, telling of the prisoners and guns captured, and the enemy's precipitate retreat to the Aisne, came days later, and the importance of the victory of the Marne was only gradually revealed, but meanwhile, all Paris knew by instinct that France was saved, and woke from its spell.

## HONGKONG ESTATES

Hongkong estate sworn under \$42,000 was left by the late Mr. Herbert Alfred John Macray, who died at Kensington, Middlesex, on April 30. An application by Mr. G. N. Tinson for sealing certified copy of probate of the will, has been granted.

The late Mrs. Enid Dorothy Dubrey, who died intestate at King's College Hospital, Camberwell, London, on January 12, left Hongkong estate sworn under \$500. An application by Mr. R. A. Wadeson for sealing letters of administration of the estate has been granted.

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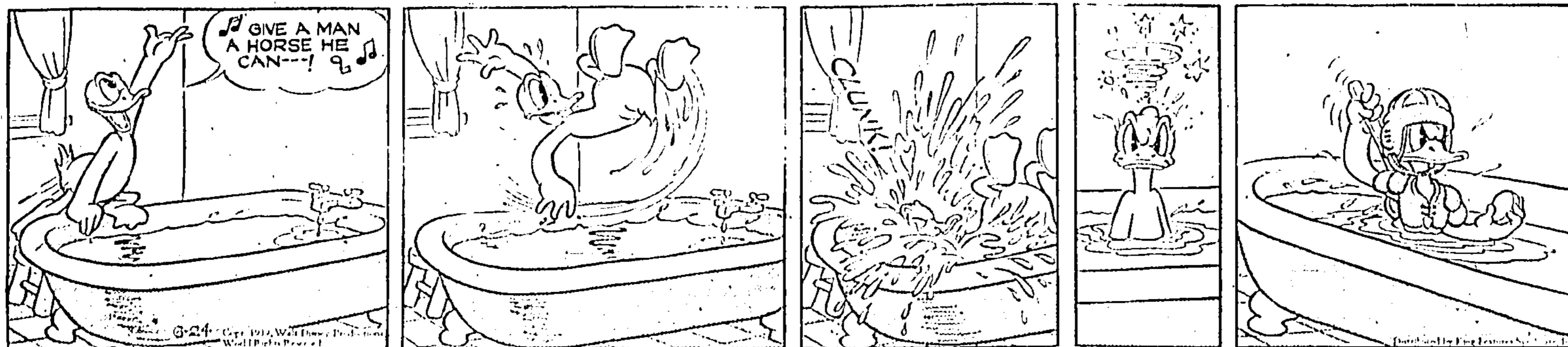
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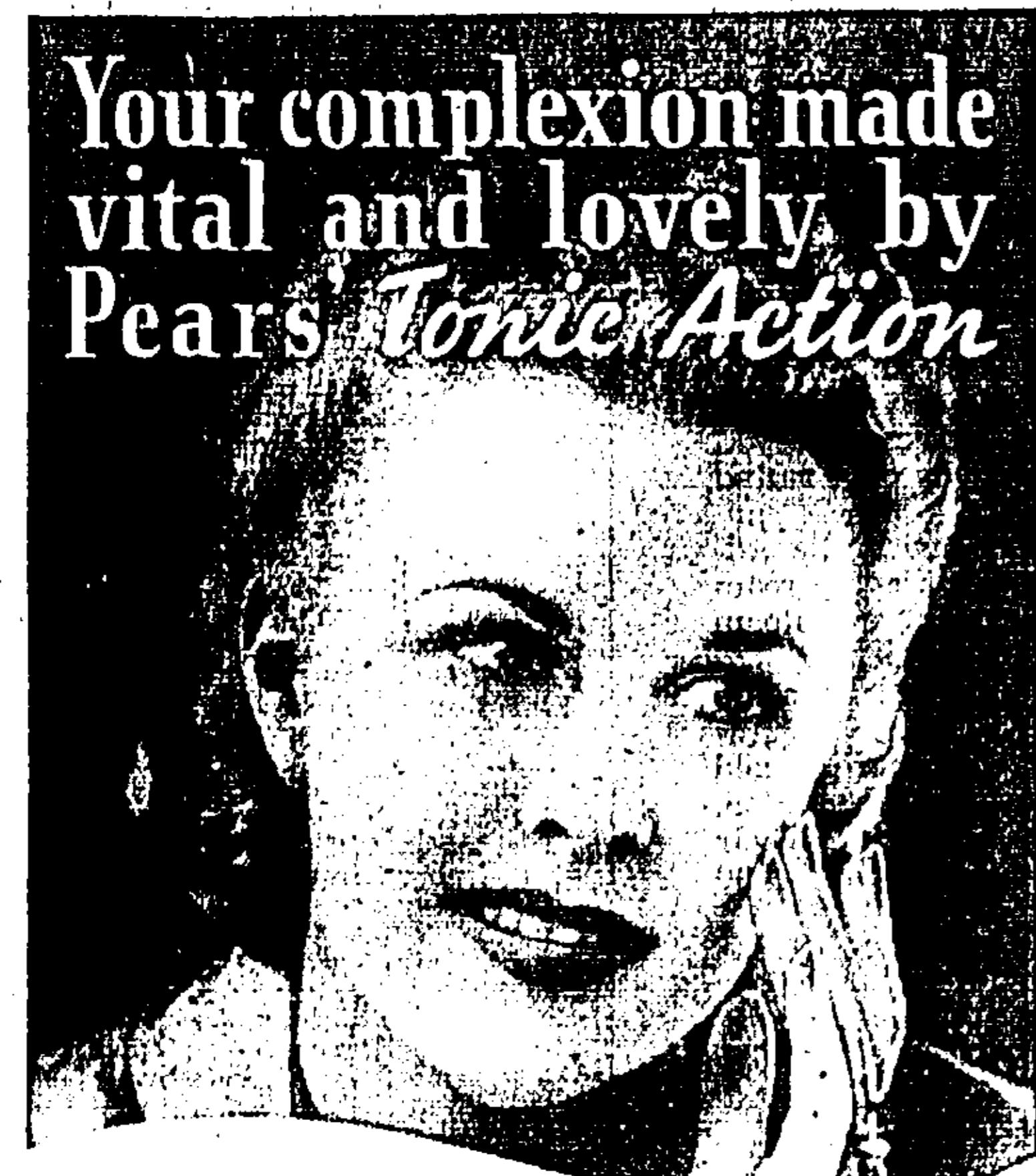
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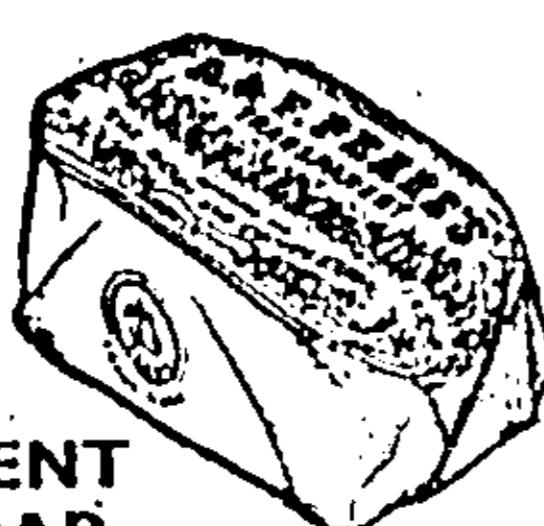
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## Around The Empire

## Flow Of Loyal Messages To The Motherland

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The flow of loyal messages from the colonies continues.

The latest is a striking resolution passed by the Legislative Council at Gambia, a Colony which has been hard hit by a recent fall in the price of its products.

The Governor of Gambia is Sir Thomas Southern, formerly Colonial Secretary in Hongkong.

## India's Loyalty

ALLAHABAD, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Sir Tej Sapru, India's Liberal leader, appealed to the country to stand by Britain unconditionally.

He said that any question of controversy with the British regarding the future of India must stand over until the common peril was past.

## Offered His Son

BIKANER, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Maharajah of Bikaner has informed the Viceroy that he offers his only surviving son, Captain Mahakumar Sedat Singh Bahadur, to place his personal services and sword at the disposal of the King-Emperor.

## Northern Ireland

LONDON, Sept. 6 (British-Wireless).—The following statement has been issued by the Prime Minister of Northern Ireland:

"In no part of the United Kingdom has call to duty been more deeply recognised than in loyal Ulster. Her people, in common with their fellow citizens throughout the United Kingdom are throwing their full weight and entire resources into the conflict which has been forced upon Great Britain and the Empire.

## Record Recruiting

Despite the fact that Ulster's record in recruitment for the armed forces of the Crown has always been relatively as great as in any other part of the United Kingdom, enlistment during the past few days has been so overwhelming that the staffs at the various recruiting centres are experiencing the greatest difficulty in coping with the situation.

"Those who have played their part in the struggle for right over might are to-day joined by a new generation ready to man defences and uphold the cause of freedom. Ulster awaits any further demands which may be made upon her by the imperial authorities, and I am glad to say that good order and discipline prevail throughout.

## KING'S MESSAGE TO PREMIER

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The King has sent a message to Mr. Chamberlain saying:

"Despite all our hopes and endeavours, we have been compelled to resort to war.

"In this grave hour of our country's fortunes, I wish to acknowledge the unremitting efforts by the civil service, both at home and overseas in the past troubled year, both promoting the cause of peace, and in preparing the country for the emergency which is now upon us.

"I am sure you will continue your work in the same spirit until peace has been restored."

Mr. Chamberlain in reply thanked His Majesty, and assured him of the continued loyalty and devotion of the civil service.

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## ATHENIA SINKING

## 125 STILL MISSING

## U.S. May Protest To Germany

LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the House of Commons that 125 persons who were on the Athenia when she was torpedoed are still missing.

He said that the submarine, after torpedoing the Athenia, came to the surface and fired a shell which exploded on the deck of the vessel while the passengers were preparing to take to the life-boats.

## U.S.A. Protest?

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 (UP).—In response to inquiries regarding a possible protest over the sinking of the Athenia, Mr. Hull said that the United States has not received an authoritative final report on the matter.

He said that future developments must await the receipt of the full facts, which the United States is seeking.

## To Receive Compensation

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Officers and crew of the Athenia will come under the recently passed legislation in connection with compensation for personal injuries in wartime.

This was announced in the House of Commons.

Some of the crew have already been paid compensation.

## No Retaliation

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Lord Stanhope was asked in the House of Lords what the British Government intended to do regarding the sinking of the Athenia.

Mr. Winston Churchill added that the Athenia was not defensively armed—she carried no guns and her decks had not even been strengthened for this purpose.

He replied that the British Government had not yet had time to decide what course to take, but there was one thing the British Government would not do: They would not sink enemy vessels without due warning and provisions for the safety of crew and passengers.

## Churchill Statement

LONDON, Sept. 6 (British-Wireless).—The First Lord of the Admiralty in his further House of Commons statement on the torpedoing of the Athenia, said statements had now been taken on oath from the chief officer and numerous survivors, both British and American, which enable a fuller picture to be given.

"I regret to inform the House that the disaster may prove to be of greater magnitude than was indicated by earlier reports. It is now clearly established that the disaster was due to an attack without warning by a submarine. At 7.45 p.m. local time on Sunday night, a torpedo struck the ship abaft the engine room on the port side, when she was 250 miles from the north-west coast of Ireland.

"Soon after the torpedo had struck the ship, the submarine came to the surface and fired a shell which exploded on C deck. The submarine cruised around the sinking ship and was seen by numerous persons, including American survivors who have given affidavits to this effect.

**Losses Unknown**

"The House will realise that owing to the nature of the disaster accurate details of the number of victims cannot yet be ascertained. No estimate can be made as to how many were killed at the first explosion, nor as to numbers drowned by the reported capsizing of several boats after passengers had taken to them.

"Survivors have been picked up by two British destroyers and by the Knute Nelson, City of Flint, and it is hoped by a Swedish yacht. At present some 125 passengers and crew are unaccounted for. It is still possible that a number of these may be aboard the Swedish yacht."

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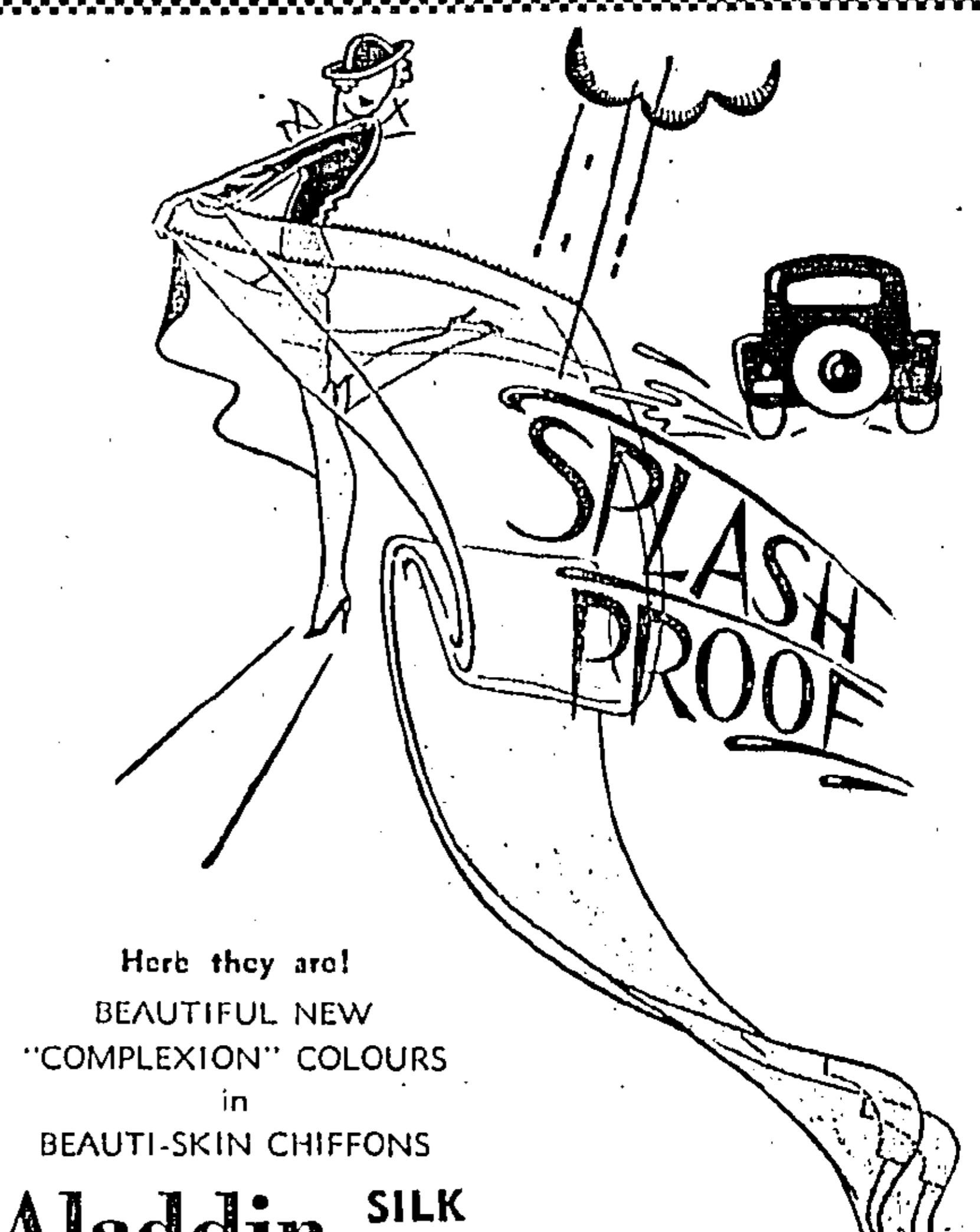
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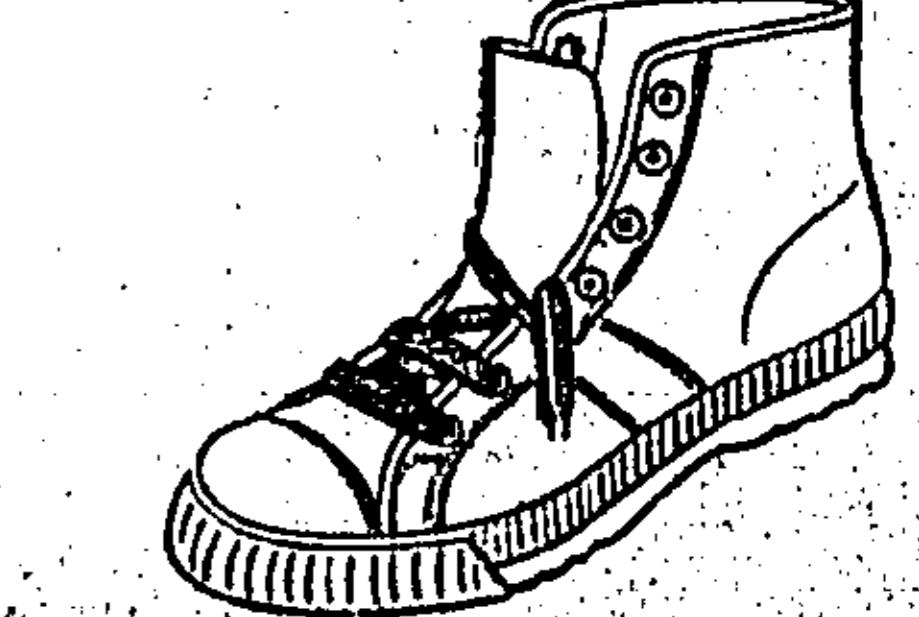
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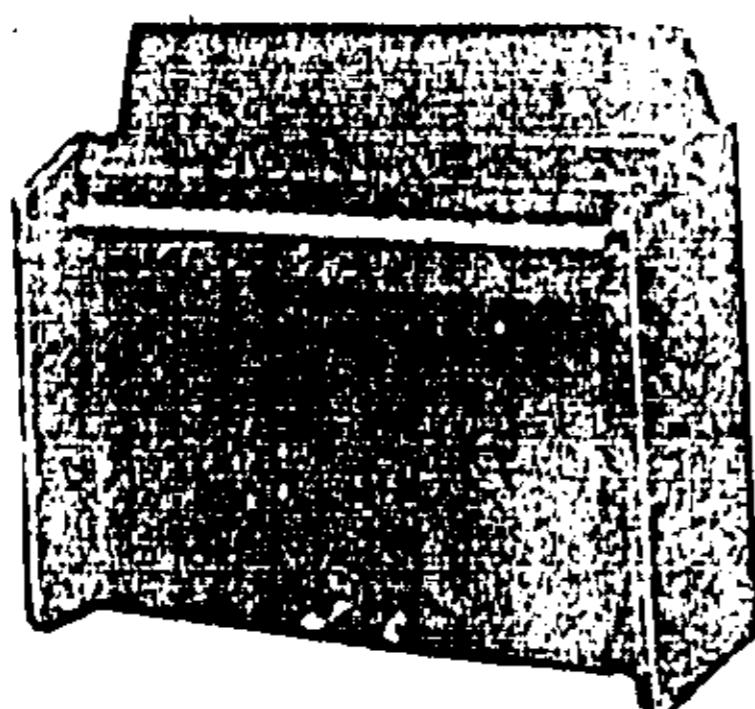


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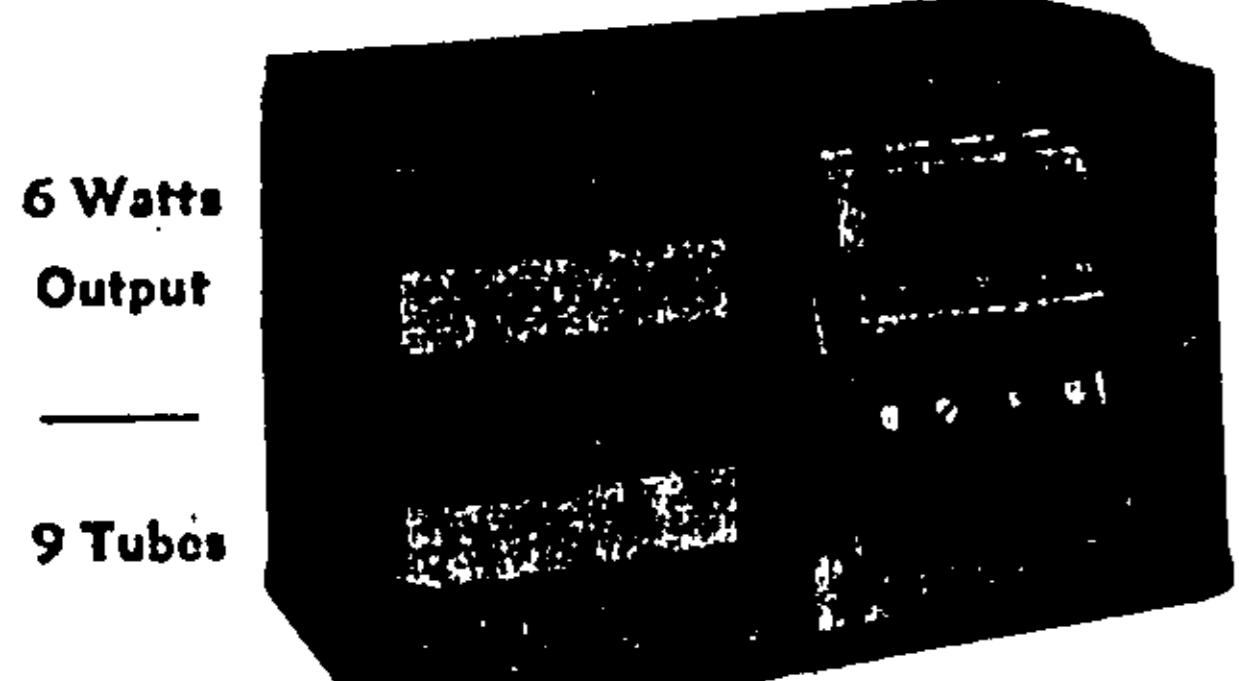
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From 1935 to early 1937 German bombers were superior to those of the R.A.F. in speed, range and bomb load. To-day Britain's latest aircraft surpass the corresponding German types in both flying range and bomb load.

The speeds of the two are said to be about the same, but the operational value of the British machine is far superior.

The Wellington is the most efficient two-engined bomber in the world to-day. Filled with petrol in place of bombs it could fly non-stop from England to Australia. The range of the first model, loaded with bombs, is 3,240 miles; its speed 265 miles an hour.

But warplanes in R.A.F. squadrons are only the forerunners of still better ones which are already appearing in very large numbers.

The disclosed performances of British bombers at present are of machines fitted with two engines, each about 1,000 horse-power. More powerful engines are in the new types of machines. The extra power is being applied to the carrying of heavier loads of bomb at faster speeds.

These are typical examples of the predominance which Great Britain has attained in invention and construction.

What about numbers of aeroplanes?

Precise official information on this is, for obvious reasons, not being provided to the world, but there has been a tremendous speed-up of new construction during the past twelve months.

A week before the war started, 250 orthodox firms and 3,500 subcontract firms were making aircraft. The number to-day is almost certainly greater. The joint Anglo-French aircraft construction exceeded the German output as long ago as June. It was boasted then that, at any time, British and French output of new machines could, at instant notice, double that of German factories.

British aircraft output last June was 1,000 planes a month. Less than three years ago it was at the rate of only about 400 in 12 months. It is a disheartening achievement from the German point of view.

## **It Means a Lot to be FIRST LORD**

Mr. Winston Churchill is the new First Lord of the Admiralty. He will get £5,000 a year with luxurious house. The magnificent Admiralty yacht, the Enchantress, will be at his disposal.

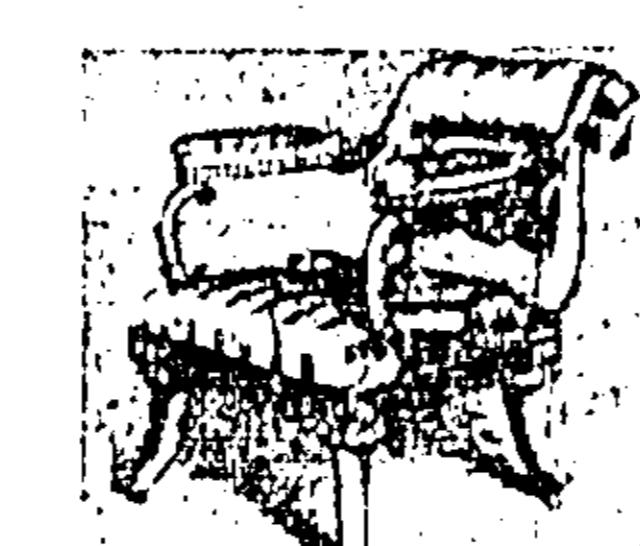
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His responsibility is so great that he has a little Cabinet of his own, the Board of Admiralty, to advise and direct him. Though he is not compelled to take the Board's advice—he usually does. On the Board sit Britain's Sea Lords—first, second, third, fourth, and the recently appointed fifth—the big executives of the Navy.

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### **His Yacht**

And if you want to get away from the stuffy air of Whitehall there is the yacht already mentioned. It is a long-standing tradition that the First Lord is free to use the yacht as he wishes in the performance of his duties.

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The First Lord has a busy job. There are dinners, banquets, luncheons to preside at, speeches to make and naval manoeuvres to attend. There are admirals to interview and inventions to be considered. There is the all-important question of the £ s d of running the Navy. And, finally, there is the task of telling Parliament and, through Parliament, the people all about it.

Members delight in asking difficult questions about the Navy. The First Lord has to answer them.

**25 Years Ago**

## **At The Gates Of Paris**

**Anniversary Of The Marne**

It was on the morning of Sunday, September 6, 1914, that Paris knew that something had happened which would decide the fate of the war. For three days von Kluck's Army had been within striking distance of the capital; for three days we had waited for the sound of gunfire from the forts, signifying that the attack had begun. And now it was not coming; it was quite clear that it was not coming. Gallieni's brief communiqué, collected late on Saturday night from the Press Bureau in the Rue de Grenelle, had run as follows:—

The German Army is still moving away from Paris and continuing the movement entered on two days ago. It follows from the information received that the enemy's troops have evacuated the Compiegne-Soissons district.

We had known nothing about the movement away from Paris, but that made the news all the more decisive. Something had happened. The German Army, which had marched through Compiègne and Soissons for the gates of Paris, had stopped something to take it elsewhere. "Ah," said the street gossip, "nous venons nous versons, blotted quelque chose."

Paris in those days lay as though hypnotized. The terrible reality of the invasion had come upon it so swiftly as to be almost unrealizable. The writer, then a member of the Paris staff of *The Times*, had left France about August 20 for a short visit to England. Fighting on the Belgian frontier was then still confined to skirmishes. The name Mons was still unfamiliar. A short ten days later, on Sunday, August 30, he returned to France.

The train from Boulogne was four hours late in starting and the *chief de gare* would not guarantee that it would get to Paris. Before it had reached Abbeville it was crowded to roof and doorstep with refugees from Belgium, from Lille, from every town in the Pas-de-Calais, soldiers and civilians together. It took 19 hours to reach Paris. Crowds were gathered at every little railway station and level crossing through Normandy to ask for news from the north as the train rolled slowly by. All through the night, at one junction after another, we were held up to let troop-train after troop-train pass, moving south.

In Paris everything was in a hubbub. Everybody seemed to be leaving. The railway stations of the Quai d'Orsay and Montparnasse were packed with helpless crowds, struggling for places in the trains. People poured on to the river steamer and left without knowing where they would get to. It was swelteringly hot. No one knew where the Germans were. One official news placed them at Noyon, but a chance acquaintance who had come that morning from Compiègne testified to having seen British sailors blow up the stone bridge over the Oise. That meant that the retreat was still in progress, and Compiègne was only 30 miles away.

### **THE FIRST BOMBS**

On the following day, about 5 o'clock, a German aeroplane appeared over the city and dropped some bombs. It was Paris's first experience of bombardment, and it made no great impression. The bombs were obviously not much bigger than 5-pounder shells, and did little damage.

Next morning early the street rang to the steady tramp of marching troops. Regiment after regiment of African tirailleurs, Senegalese, and Chasseurs d'Afrique, were moving south to the north. It was the Tunis division which had been rushed up the day before by rail from Marsselles. This looked like a change in tactics. The men were in splendid condition and gave promise of hard fighting; but there was a fresh surprise to come. Inside Paris there was no morning newspaper to be had. The Government had left the day before for Bordeaux. Everything in the way of an authority that was not military had gone with them. The Allied Embassies and all newspaper offices were closed. On the walls was posted the first proclamation of General Gallieni:—

I have been entrusted with the task of defending Paris from the invader. That task I shall fulfil to the end.

So there was to be a siege. Paris now became a curious place. Over a million of its inhabitants, and they the best-to-do, had left. The boulevards and the fashionable streets in the centre were deserted. You could look down the Avenue de l'Opéra at midday, and not count a dozen people or more than a couple of vehicles. The *terrasses* of the Cité or in *la Paix* and *Tourtel* were empty. The famous restaurants had closed, single diners. The oyster houses had begun; barrels of the finest *Marennes* were displayed on the counters at *Prunier*, and there was nobody to eat them. After 9 o'clock at night there was not a soul in the streets except the patrols of the Municipal Guards. Meanwhile, the life of the humbler classes went on quietly and normally, but it was more like the life of a village of a great city. Every one gossiped with every one else. In the absence of newspapers, the grocer and the milkman, who were in daily touch with people from outside, became the chief sources of news.

After the fearful fury of the past few days, with the bulletins from the PLEASE Turn To Page 8.

## **SPIES AT WORK**

**Sir Michael Bruce**

It is useful to know, for instance, that Captain XXX, who is in charge of transport at a port, is a secret drug taker, or that Major YYY at the War Office gambles heavily and is deeply in debt. There is always an approach to a person through his weaknesses. It is the collecting of this type of knowledge that becomes so important.

Before the war, the German Secret Service had thousands of men employed as waiters and barbers all over the world, thousands of women working as governesses and nurses. These people saw and collected far more useful knowledge than the man who wandered about the countryside with a camera and sketch book.

Let us suppose that A, a large manufacturing country, is likely at any time to go to war with B, a country that relies on its agriculture for its wealth. A will naturally want to know, besides the essentials of the strength of B's forces, the depots for coal, fuel, and the main sources of supply; the exact amount of munitions stored and being or capable of being manufactured; and the routes by which raw materials will be brought into the country.

This knowledge will have to be gained in days of peace, in order that A's forces can commence aerial or even secret sabotage against B's ports and depots as soon as war commences. B will likewise want to know the food supplies to A, and the amount of food she is capable of storing. These factors will be B's weak points.

It is interesting to remember that some of the most concentrated work done by spies during the war, was not in the belligerent countries, as might be imagined, but in America, Sweden, Holland, and Denmark. These countries were the source of supply to the combatants, and it was of vital importance for either side to know what material the other side was running short.

**Drugs for Young Officers**

At the beginning of the last war

a large amount of drugs was being imported into Britain. These were handed to agents who, using still further agents, passed them on to young officers. This was not done

with any idea of reducing the morale

of the troops (incidentally, in many cases it had this effect) but was a source of knowledge of the movements of troops in France.

What happened was this. A young officer, either home on leave or recovering from a wound usually drift to the West End, and many lived for excitement during their leave. It was easy to suggest a marvellous headache cure. A few doses, and the boy began to find he wanted this cure more frequently. These boys were picked from different regiments and brigades. Later, before they returned to France, the agent told them that they could procure these "cures" if they wrote to him, telling him exactly where they were stationed and where they were going, as he had a friend in France who would bring the "cures" to the line.

Officers were allowed to censor their own letters, and only a very small proportion of them were opened at the base. The result was that, in the case of any large movement of troops or a big concentration, it was easy to forecast where an attack was to be launched, and to make a pretty good guess at the number of divisions and units taking part.

Later, should the boy become so addicted to the drug that he would do anything to obtain it, a slight pressure was often put upon him. Then he actually became an unwilling tool in the enemy's hands. Luckily the organization that was responsible for this branch of activity was discovered and squashed at a very early stage, not before they had brought about the death of several boys who, rather than betray their own country, had taken their lives in their own hands.

Spies are not cowards. They work like moles, underground, tunnelling, destroying or weakening the strength of their opponents. They face trial, imprisonment, and death for their own country, knowing that should they be discovered none will help them. They fail—and the price of failure is shame. They succeed—and only they and those directly above them ever hear of their success.

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"There is no duty, Sir, on hangovers obtained abroad."

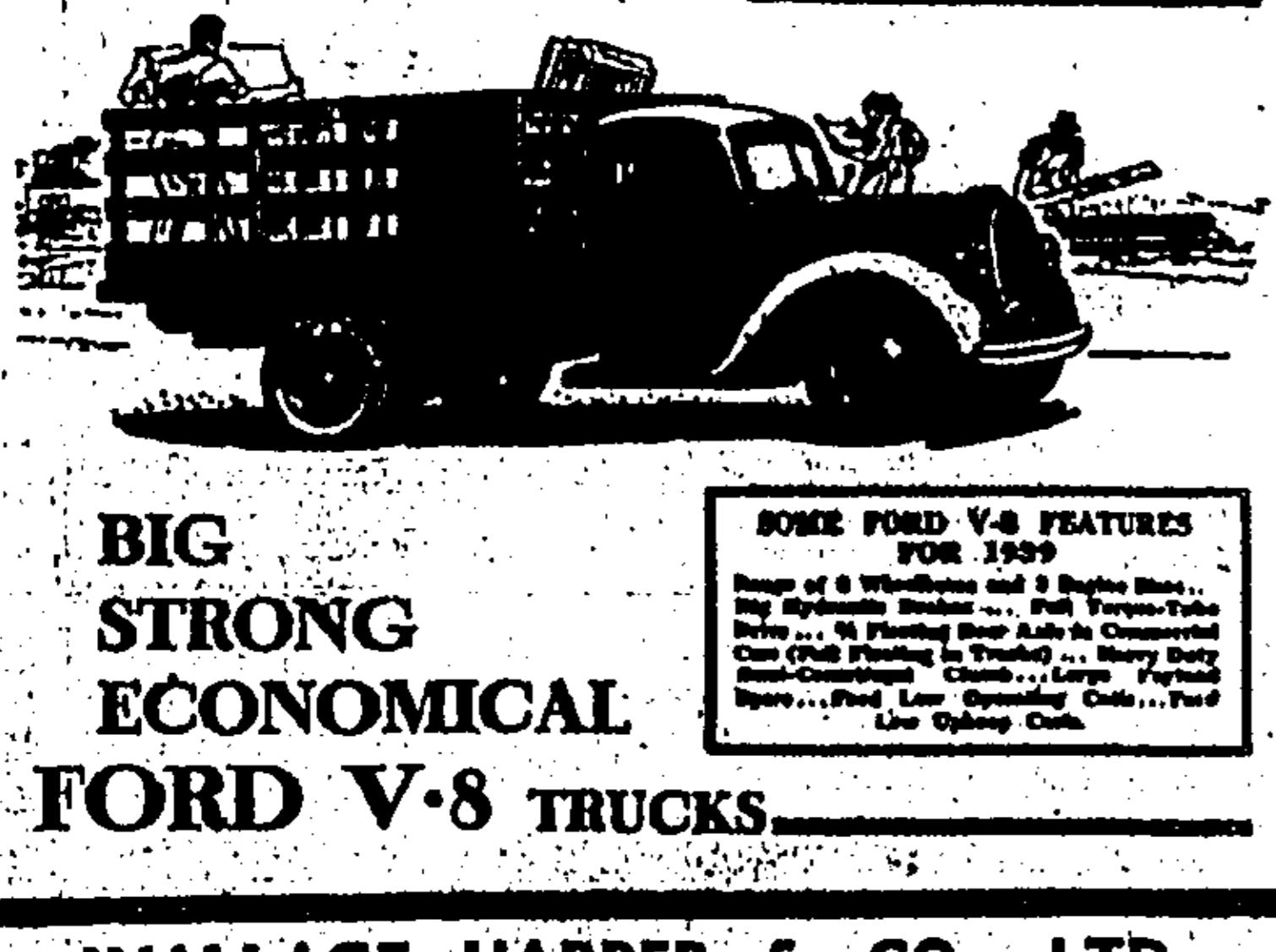
"I wish there was, I'd refuse to pay and then you'd have to confiscate it."

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Phone 28240.**A.R. DALLAH, LEADING 20-10, BEATEN 21-20 IN LAWN BOWLS FINAL****Magnificent Recovery  
By U.M. Omar But He Was Lucky To Win'**

(By "Abe")

With due respect to U.M. Omar's fine fighting finish, I am sure many people who saw the game will agree that he was very lucky to beat A.R. Dallah in the final of the Open Bowls Singles Championship of the Colony on the Club de Recreio green yesterday. Trailing 10-20 on the 14th head, he finally won 21-20 after as magnificent a recovery as has ever been seen in the tournament—aided and abetted by a few atrocious mistakes by Dallah.

Indeed, when he recovered from a 2-0 deficit to lead 17-8 after seven consecutive successful heads, and later scored a three on the 14th head to lead 20-10, Dallah was playing so well that he seemed to have the match in his pocket. He was outplaying Omar in every department at this stage and I am sure there were many people who thought, as I did, that a victory for him was just a matter of time. What made this impression all the stronger was the fact that Omar had lost his sense of weight and was always that yard through or short.

But there was a surprise for all. On the 15th end, Dallah, leading 20-10, was lying one when Omar had his last wood to roll. The latter took a desperate chance with a drive. He could have drawn, for Dallah's shot was in a perfect position for a rest; but probably he could not rely on a draw and preferred a drive instead. As it happened, his gamble came off and with the two he got on this head and with the two he got on his head by taking the jack down to the ditch, he kept the game alive. With this success, he also seemed to develop new courage, and it was now his turn to dominate the play. He scored another two on the 10th end, followed by a single on the next.

**A BAD BLUNDER**

It was on the 18th head that Dallah, in my opinion, made his biggest blunder of the match. When he had his last wood to roll, Omar was lying three round the jack, with his fourth wood wide by the side. Dallah was lying fourth with two back woods. He, therefore, had nothing to lose by taking a "crack" at the jack. If he carried the kitty he had his back woods to receive it; if he did not hit the jack, there was a good chance of taking out one or two of Omar's shot woods; or even if he had missed jack and woods, he would not have given away more than three. Instead, Dallah preferred to draw, ignoring the fact that it needed a very good shot indeed to save, let alone take first shot. A heavy wood, in my view, was certainly called for inasmuch as he could allow for a greater margin of error. As it was, Dallah went slightly narrow although he had the perfect weight and his wood swung across the green. With the three he obtained here, Omar was now only two shots behind, 10-20.

If the 18th head was a bad one for Dallah, the 19th was even worse, for on this end he conceded another three to lose the match. Omar was short with his first wood, but drew two beauties with his second and third, while Dallah, heavy with his first, was narrow with second and third. Omar tried to block with his fourth, but failed and the position when Dallah had the last wood was this: Omar was lying two, Dallah had third and two back woods.

**UNFORTUNATE ENDING**

Then in playing a pound-on shot, Dallah went wide and had the mortification of seeing it cut Omar's front wood in for the third shot, which

**So Near And  
Yet So Far**



A.R. Dallah, when leading 20-10 on the 14th head against U.M. Omar, seemed to have victory within his grasp yesterday; but he was defeated finally by 21-20.—Staff Photographer.

Champion  
Once More



U.M. Omar yesterday set up a local lawn bowls record which may never be equalled when he won the Colony singles title for the fourth time by beating A.R. Dallah 21-20 after one of the best matches in the history of the competition. Omar at one stage was trailing 10-20, but in five heads he scored 2, 2, 1, 3 and 3 to win.—Staff Photographer.

**Killed While  
Playing Bowls**

Mr. Alfred Robinson, a plumber, who was watching the game said: "One man had just thrown and Knowles was walking up when suddenly there was a blinding light. Knowles seemed to explode. His clothing flew all over the place. It was the worst lightning I have ever seen."

In several places near where Knowles had been walking the turf was cut as though by a knife. While playing a bout foursome at Peel Green, Lancashire, on August 26, Mr. Edward Knowles, aged 45, of Harrison Street, Peel Green, was killed by lightning. Two of his friends, Stanley Hartman and Stanley Knight, were treated in hospital for burns and shock.

**Hongkong  
Rifle  
Association****Programme For Year  
Now Announced**

The Hongkong Rifle Association will commence its 1939-40 programme on Wednesday next, Sept. 13, with a Spoon and Practice Shoot at 200 yds., 500 yds. and 600 yds.

Pool Bull: Two targets will be reserved for Pool Bull shooting.

Firing will commence at 1.45 p.m.

**PROGRAMME DATES**

The following are the dates for the shooting programme:

Sept. 13, 20, 24, 27.  
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 29.  
Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 26, 29.  
Dec. 6, 13, 17, 20.

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Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 28, 31.  
Feb. 7, 14, 21, 25, 28.  
Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27 to April 1.  
Prize Meeting.

Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24, 28.  
May 1, 8, 15, 19.  
Times of Shooting are:—

Wednesday, from 1.45 p.m. to dusk.

Sundays, from 9 a.m. (sharp) until 12.45 p.m.

In addition to the dates given above, it is hoped that, as in the past, the Royal Navy will help by affording spare target accommodation on certain Saturday afternoons on the naval range at Stonecutters.

**Here And There  
With "Abe"****Effect Of War On Home  
And Local Sport**

AS far as can be made out at the moment, Hongkong's intention is to carry on with its sport as if the war was not on. Perhaps this statement should be modified slightly by adding "wherever possible"; for obviously local sport must be affected to a certain extent one way or another. Now that the Swimming Interpol with Shanghai has been cancelled, it is pleasing to learn that the Interpol Lawn Bowlers are going up north as originally planned. As reported elsewhere, they are sailing by the Conte Biancamano on Sunday and will be back either on the last day in September or the first day in October. The local bowls season is almost completed, so there is no need for bowlers to worry. But normally the soccer and cricket seasons commence about this time, and at the moment there is some uncertainty regarding these two branches of sport. The opening programme of matches in the Football League has already been announced, but it is safe to say that

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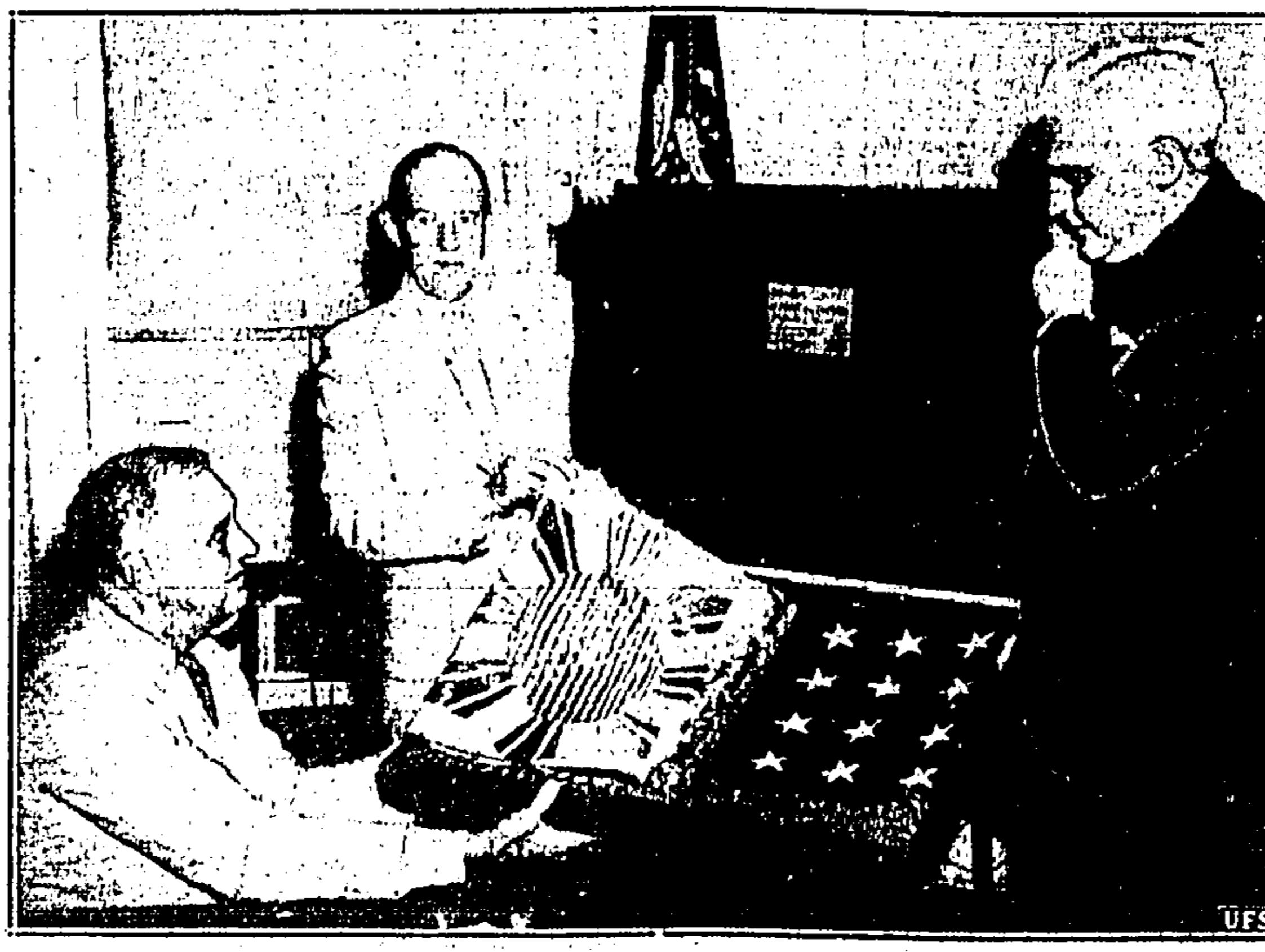
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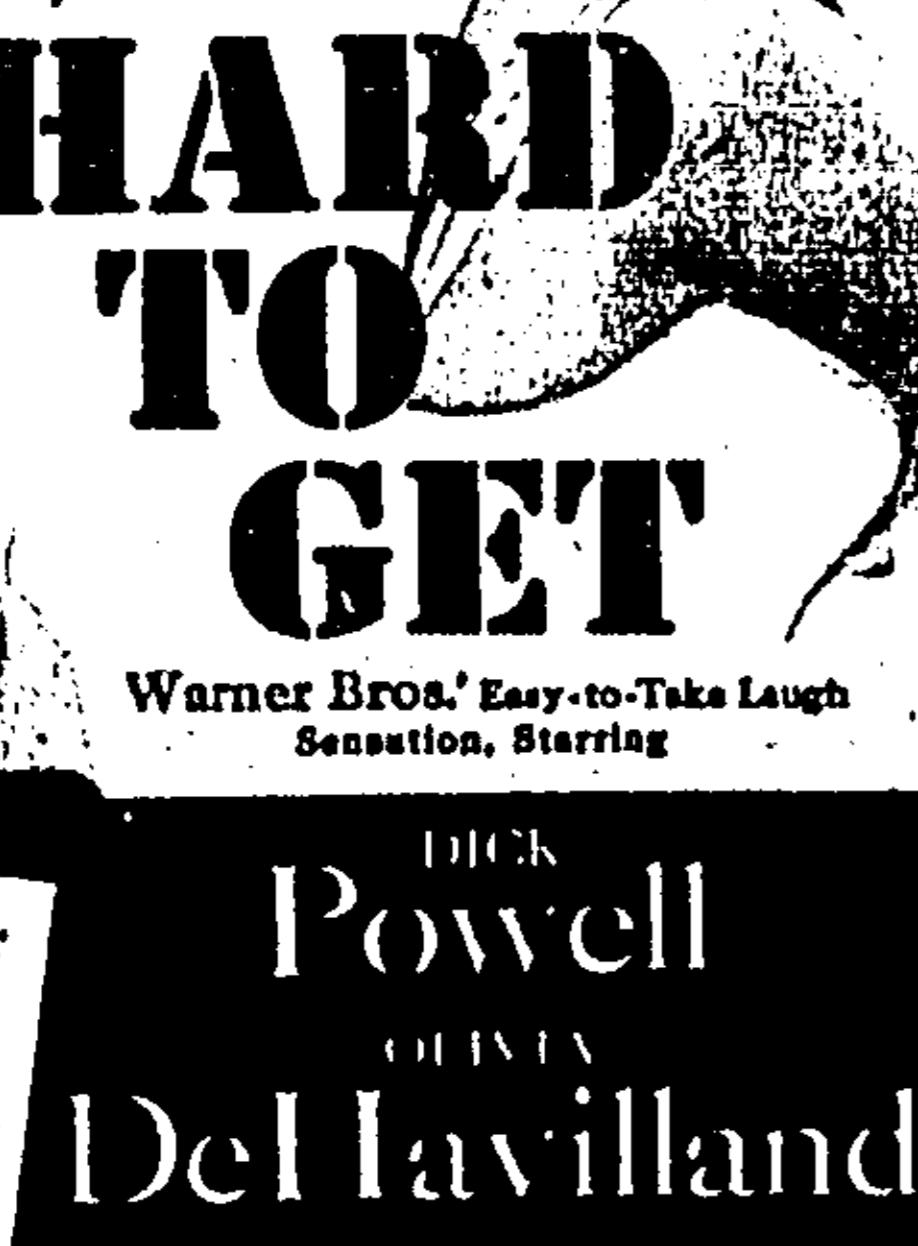
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These are the prices at my comrade. I don't for one minute believe that the wholesalers are working a racket. It is the Chinese compradores, who are out to make as much as they can from us while the going is good.

I am heartily in favour of your suggestion that the Government should take some action at once.

W. F. G.

Sir.—I have a family composed of my mother, my five sisters and myself. We have decided to pack up in Hongkong, but as circumstances permit, however, unfortunately we aren't no "fajones," and we couldn't afford to think of "evacuation" now or ever.

At present my brother and myself are supporting my family, but in view of the current situation, it is impossible daily, and never can tell that before long, communication with my brother may be cut off, and my job may be disbanded; then I would be damned if I only knew what should I do.

I certainly would expect the Government to take care of us, but as I have no right to "other" the Government to take care of us, but as I have no right to "other" the Government with such a "problem." However, surely it wouldn't be too much to appeal to our Government here to invoke immediately the price controlling of the Colony's foodstuffs. In fact, there are various considerations these days, one would be convinced instantly that the prices have been inexcusably, and undoubtedly unreasonably, increased by means of profiteering at the expense of the general public—i.e., the middle classes. Action must be taken by the Government now, would naturally be timely, but also unquestionably justified! Therefore, on behalf of hundreds of the middle-class families who are still in this Colony, and who intend to stick on here indefinitely, we honestly petition our local Government to take immediate steps in controlling the prices of foodstuffs of daily necessity here in Hongkong.

A FAMILY MAN.

Sir.—We are told to hoard food. Now the Controller of Food appeals to the public not to hoard. What are we to believe?

I have spent a not inconsiderable amount in obtaining a supply of tinned foodstuffs against an emergency. What guarantee is given if I do not hoard, that some official will come out with another statement in a week or so, advising us to hoard again?

EXASPERATED.

Sir.—If as the Controller of Foods claims, there are ample stocks of all essential foodstuffs in Hongkong, why have the prices increased so greatly since the beginning of the month? It is all very well to tell us that there is no justification for an increase, or for any increase whatever, in the fact remains that prices have increased, and seem to be continuing to increase.

England has already invoked price control, and it is about time something was done in Hongkong.

S.

### Answers To Correspondents

W.W.W.—The evacuation suggestions were made by a Government spokesman. We would not care to express an opinion, other than to point out that no countering suggestions have thus far been issued.—Ed.

### Naval Agreements Suspended

LONDON, Sept. 6. (Reuters).—The Ministry of Information announces that in consequence of a state of war with Germany, and in conformity with the provision of the London Naval Treaty of 1936, the agreements with Soviet Russia of 1931, and with Poland in 1938, notifications have been made to the foreign governments concerned that all obligations of the British Government under the above-named naval disarmament treaties have been indefinitely suspended.

### LATE NEWS

## AT THE GATES OF PARIS

(Continued from Page 4)

front each more terribly significant than the last, this placid and uneventful existence was singularly restful. Here we were within sense and sound of two great armies at grips with one another, yet it was difficult to believe that anything exciting, or abnormal was afoot. Paris seemed asleep. Subconsciously every one was waiting for the storm to break, but, as it happens in moments of great crisis, time seemed to be standing still, while the gods pondered over the fate of man as they weighed in the balance.

The best sign was that there was no hint of Paris being cut off from the coast. The Germans had occupied Amiens, but they had not reached the Seine. What they were doing we could not understand. Then came the official news that they were moving away from Paris, and it seemed that dawned on us that the assault for which we had been waiting in dread was not going to take place. Then came rumours of the fighting. The greengrocer and the bakers had it that a big battle was going on near Meaux, only 15 miles away. The fort at Chilly had fired its guns. The Germans had built a bridge across the Marne. It had been destroyed by gunfire, and hundreds of them had been drowned. Things were going well, so they said. Then another report passed from mouth to mouth. All the taxicabs, it was said, had been taken to rush troops to the front—recruited in the street, the police had done it by.

In the afternoon, the police had done it by under from Gallieni's headquarters. It was true; not a taxi was to be found. Things were evidently getting hot out there.

### THE BATTLE WON

Next morning the writer and another British journalist obtained a pass to go from Paris to Dijon by car. We had no intention of going to Dijon. That was merely a device to get outside the gates. Once well away from Paris, the big Rolls-Royce was turned north, and presently, by a series of minor stratagems and a stroke or two of good luck, we found ourselves on the hills above Meaux.

Here the situation was plain at a glance. The fields all around were littered with the debris of a day-old battle. Rifles, entrenching tools, bits of equipment, lay about the roads, and here and there the dead bodies of many of those brave triffleurs who had marched gaily through Paris four days before. But the battle had been won. The Germans were already three miles away beyond the further ridge being pounded by French artillery beside us on the hill, and the infantry could be seen through field-glasses going steadily forward. Down in the valley below, half-submerged in the river, lay a limousine with the drowned bodies of three German officers. It was obviously a patrol which had attempted a daring reconnaissance on the flank of the Allied Army, and had met its fate the night before trying to rejoin the German forces. The car had tried to cross the Marne by a bridge which had been blown up, and had plunged straight into the river. That little tragedy seemed to us to embody the failure of the whole German campaign.

The official bulletins, telling of the prisoners and guns captured, and the enemy's precipitate retreat to the Aisne, came days later, and the importance of the victory of the Marne was only gradually revealed, but, meanwhile, all Paris knew by instinct that France was saved, and woke from its spell.

HONGKONG ESTATES

Hongkong estate sworn under \$42,000 was left by the late Mr. Herbert Alfred John Macray, who died at Kensington, Middlesex, on April 30. An application by Mr. G. N. Tinson for sealing certified copy of probate of the will, has been granted.

The late Mrs. Ethel Dorothy Dibbo, who died intestate at King's College Hospital, Camberwell, London, on January 12, left Hongkong estate sworn under \$500. An application by Mr. R. A. Wadeson for sealing letters of administration of the estate has been granted.

Five hundred Japanese were rushed to Shekten from Shekten, on Saturday, while two hundred fresh troops were also dispatched from Boen Tigr to Tungkun along the Tungkun-Taipei highway.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

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## Japan And Russia

### Soviet Aeroplanes Brought Down

Hainan, Sept. 6.

With the onslaughts of the invading Soviet and Outer Mongol forces having been effectively checked by the combined Japanese and Manchukuo forces, a lull began once again to prevail along the border front near Nomonhan on September 2.

Field reports claim that about three divisions of the mechanised units of the Soviet and Outer Mongol forces, including some 10,000 men who attempted to cross the border, have been held up near the Balshagur and Nolo heights.

Over 250 Soviet and Outer Mongol tanks have been disabled by Japanese artillery fire and abandoned on the field.

Japanese air units encountered about 80 Soviet and Outer Mongol planes over the border on Monday. The Japanese fighters succeeded in bringing down 22 of the enemy craft. One Japanese plane crashed.—Domel.

Japan's Armaments

Shanghai, Sept. 6.

Manufacture of armaments in Japan is subject to decrease and delay owing to the difficulty of securing raw materials from Europe and America, which now have to present their resources.

Many countries in Europe and America have banned the export of steel, oil, scrap iron, cotton and minerals.—International.

Ban on Speculation

Tokyo, Sept. 6.

The Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry will to-day issue a joint statement warning all banking institutions against extension of funds for speculative purposes.

It is understood that Government authorities have decided to invoke Article XI regulating funds in case of unscrupulous speculation continuing despite the official warning.—Domel.

Kwangtung War

Japanese Strength In East River

Yungyun, Sept. 6.

The Chinese counter-attack in the recapture of many points, including Kweliung, Lamtin, Wongkong, and Kaitu. Over 200 Japanese were killed.

A part of the Japanese retired to their warships in the bay while others fled to Pukut and Shataukok.

Japanese batteries at Mihow near Samshui heavily shelled the Chinese positions yesterday morning. The cannonading was clearly audible in Shihlung.

In the Tsungta sector, 3,000 Japanese pushed northward from Shenklong and Taiipingchong to Kialow on Monday. They were intercepted by Chinese self-defence corps.—Central News.

Japanese Casualties

Shihlung, Sept. 6.

Nearly 500 Japanese troops are reported to have been either killed or wounded south of Tsungta last week.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

East River Fighting

Waihow, Sept. 6.

Fighting between the Japanese and guerillas continues at Tungkun, Shihlung, Namtau and Shumchun, according to Chinese reports. The Japanese are recruiting Chinese troops at Namtau, Shumchun and Tungkun, paying the Chinese a monthly remuneration of \$20.

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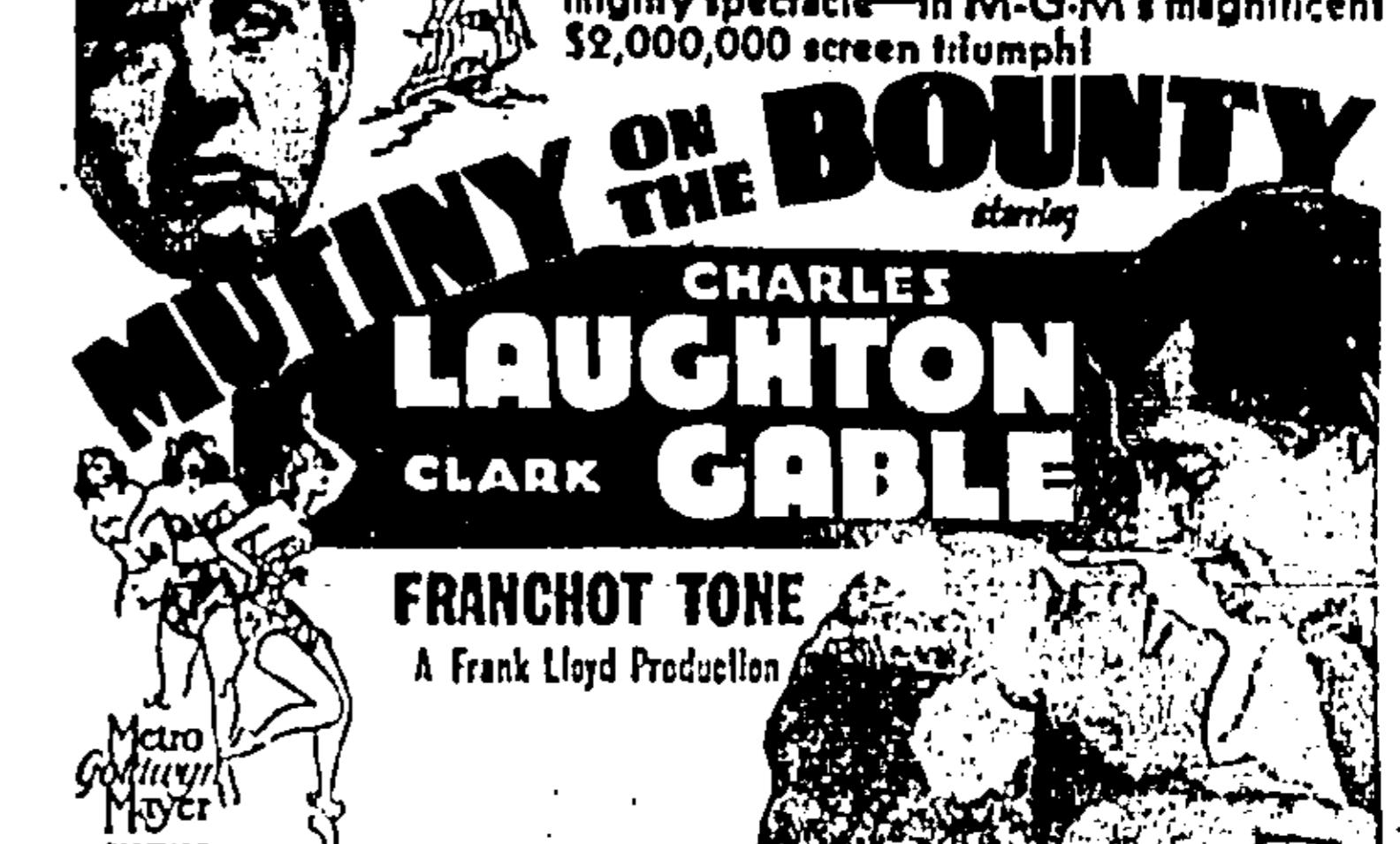
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# FRENCH TROOPS REACH SAARBRUCKEN OUTSKIRTS ADVANCE SO RAPID THAT GERMAN TOWN OFFICIALS SAID ISOLATED

Special To The "Telegraph"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—THE FALL OF SAARBRUCKEN, CAPITAL OF THE GERMAN SAAR PROVINCE, IS BELIEVED TO BE IMMINENT.

THE POLISH OFFICIAL WIRELESS REPORTS THAT FRENCH TROOPS WERE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY LATE LAST NIGHT.

The French advance across the frontier at this point has been so rapid that the Germans have lacked time to evacuate police and municipal administration archives and offices in several small towns.

## INTENSIVE BOMBARDMENT

Earlier reports claimed that the French artillery had carried out a most intensive bombardment of the German positions.

The front extends at present from the southernmost part of Luxembourg's frontier, where the Moselle River enters Germany from France, to Strasbourg. It appears almost certain that the French forces have already occupied Saargemund and Saarlauten, two fairly large towns between Saarbrucken and the frontier.

## POUNDING SIEGFRIED LINE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Concurrently with the French offensive into the Saar, the French artillery are violently pounding the Siegfried Line, which Hitler claims is "impregnable."

Although it is estimated that Germany has poured sixty divisions into Poland, reports of the widening-scale offensive on Germany's western front has caused Polish diplomats to sigh with relief.

## TANKS SUCCEED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Sept. 7, 4 a.m. (11 a.m. H.K.T.).—It is telephonically reported from the Western Front that 600 French tanks have succeeded in penetrating through the German lines up to a distance of seven miles.

Penetration to this extent is claimed in several sectors.

Several Saar villages have been captured by the French forces, which are now apparently concentrating all their attention on the drive towards the provincial capital, Saarbrucken.

### Earlier Reports

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that French troops, preceded by a large number of tanks, have broken through the German defenses near Saarbrucken.

The official announcement follows press reports that a very heavy artillery duel had been heard all night from this area.

Saarbrucken is the capital of Saar Province, which reverted to Germany in 1934 after a plebiscite of the population. It was taken from Germany by the League of Nations in 1919.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—No official declaration of neutrality has been received from either Italy, Russia or Japan.

However, Italy, Japan and Spain have issued notifications to this effect.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—A message has been sent to the King by Captain W. H. Coombes, representing the Navigators, Engineers and Officers' Union, assuring His Majesty that the British Merchant Navy will uphold His Majesty's honour and will defend merchant ships in observance of the decencies of international law.

A reply from Buckingham Palace stated: "His Majesty knows well members of your Union will not fail to sustain the honour of the merchant navy."

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The BBC has started broadcasting in Hungarian. It hopes to start Polish news bulletins in the course of the week.

Romanian and Greek news broadcasts will be introduced as soon as possible. Announcements in other languages are under consideration.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Viscount Caldecote (formerly Sir Thomas Inskip) was introduced to the House of Lords this afternoon.

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## HONGKONG INCLUDED

### Treasury Ban To Apply To Colony

LONDON, Sept. 7, (UP).—It has been officially announced that the British Empire, with the exception of Canada, Newfoundland and Hongkong, will be excluded from the Treasury order banning the sending abroad of cheques or other money orders entitling any person resident abroad to receive payment from the United Kingdom or the Isle of Man.

Over The Frontier

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—A communiqué states: "Our first elements are progressing beyond the frontier with the advance varying according to the different parts of the front. Everywhere they have encountered automatic arms and field organization.

"All activity has co-operated with the land operations.

"Movements prescribed for the mobilisation of transport and the settling down of all units are proceeding normally."

The communiqué adds that everything possible is being done to facilitate the material existence of the troops, whose morale is excellent.

Geman Casualties

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 6 (Reuter).

The Berlin correspondent of the

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WARSAW, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Warsaw radio station announced that a squadron of German bombers dropped several bombs on Lithuanian territory yesterday.

Mrs. Alabaster and the Misses Alabaster, wife and daughters of Mr. J. W. Alabaster of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., returned to the Colony on Tuesday by Clipper from Manila.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Sept. 7 (Domestic).—It is announced that the United States will "co-operate" with Japan in the Far East in the not distant future if Japan refrains from using violence in China and does not disturb peaceful conditions there, the New York correspondent of the "Asahi Shimbun" declares quoting informed observers in America.

With Great Britain allegedly having her hands full in Europe, the United States apparently the only Power able to guard the Western interests in the Orient, the correspondent further quotes American observers as saying.

The United States is also now more

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## GERMAN DEFENCES IN THE SAAR



GERMAN DEFENCES PROTECTING SAARBRUCKEN.—This photograph shows a canal in the Saar region between Saarbrucken and the French frontier, which enhances the value of the barbed wire entanglements seen in the foreground: An expansive view of the Siegfried Line, which comprises all types of defence works.

## Canada To Go To War?

Formal Declaration To-Day Seen

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OTTAWA, Sept. 6 (UP).—It is believed here that Canada will declare war on Germany on Thursday, when the Governor-General, Lord Tweedsmuir, makes his speech at the opening of Parliament.

However, some quarters believe that a formal declaration will be avoided in order to handle supplies imported from the United States.

### South Africa Joins Up

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—It has been officially announced that the Union of South Africa has declared war on Germany.

Arrangements have been made for the immediate withdrawal of German diplomats.

### Germans In Japan Uneasy

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Sept. 7 (Domestic).—All German residents in Tokyo, numbering about 600, assembled on Wednesday afternoon in the German Embassy in Tokyo to hold their first meeting since the outbreak of the European war.

### Rumanian Neutrality

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Crown Council, with King Carol as President, has unanimously decided to observe the strictest neutrality in the European war.

## LATEST

### EFFECT OF BAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE EFFECT OF THE TREASURY BAN (ANNOUNCED ON PAGE 1 IN "UNITED PRESS" MESSAGE) ON HONGKONG IS BELIEVED TO BE THAT, IN FUTURE, REMITTANCES TO HONGKONG CAN BE ARRANGED IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE ISLE OF MAN ONLY WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE AUTHORITIES THERE.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT, FOR THE PRESENT, THE TREASURY BAN WILL NOT RESTRICT EXCHANGE BUSINESS ON LONDON ARRANGED IN THE COLONY ITSELF.

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## BOMBING OF DANISH TOWN DRAWS APOLOGY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—An unofficial version of the bombing of the Danish town of Esbjerg reported that a German pursuit plane sighted a British plane over Denmark, and

bombs dropped on the town were of British make.

A strict enquiry carried out by the Air Ministry in London showed that none of the R.A.F. planes which returned from the successful raid on the Nazi fleet at Wilhelmshaven was responsible.

The Air Ministry can only assume that one of the disabled planes lost its bearings in the bad weather prevailing and bombed Esbjerg. In the belief that it was unloading bombs over the sea.

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**FRENCH TROOPS REACH SAARBRÜCKEN OUTSKIRTS**

(Continued from Page 1.)

Danish paper "Berling Skældende" says that the German authorities refuse to publish lists of casualties.

He says that relations of the German dead are informed, but are strictly ordered not to tell others, or to wear mourning.

The same correspondent, visiting Saarbrücken says that the town is lifeless.

All women and children have been evacuated in trains, crammed as many as 31 in a compartment. The only sign of activity is provided by French searchlights nightly sweeping the sky.

The German newspaper "Flensberger Nachrichten" says that several people have been listening to foreign broadcasts, which is absolutely forbidden.

"Moreover they have also told others what they have heard. This lip propaganda is such that the people are committing a crime against the whole German people, and they are now in prison awaiting several years' sentence," the paper adds.

**French Communiqué SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

PARIS, Sept. 6 (UPI).—A communiqué issued by the French General Headquarters at 0230 p.m. today announces that the advance forces are progressing beyond the German frontier.

The communiqué states that the advance is progressing at varying degrees at different points and is meeting with resistance in all sectors from German automatic arms campaign units.

The French Air Force is acting as an active liaison with the land forces. French mobilisation is continuing normally. The morale of the troops is excellent and the supply services are proceeding smoothly.

**JAPANESE FIRE LOCAL JUNKS**

Reports that their junks had been set on fire by Japanese in Chinese waters have been made to the Hongkong Police, when the crews returned to the Chung Kee-fai reported that his junk was stopped by a Japanese trawler off Wuguan Island. A party of seamen who boarded his vessel ordered him and his crew of 25 to take to the boats and set fire to the junk.

A similar fate befell Chung Kui-shiu. Ten sailors on a motor-boat stopped his junk off Sam Mun customs station, and after seizing his cargo fired the junk.

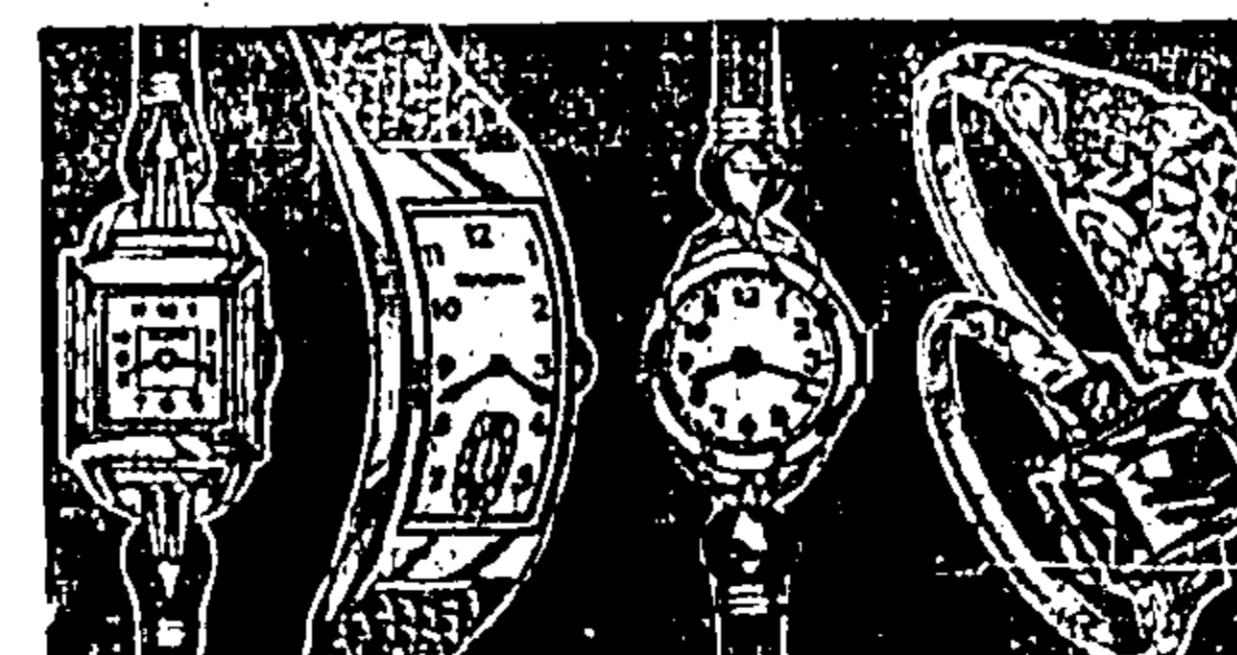
Junk No. 387H was stopped off Sam Mun on September 5. The Japanese seized cargo worth \$20, and burnt the junk.

and should state precisely for what kind of business the permit is desired (e.g. News Agency).

Until a permit has been obtained, it is useless to post any packet of the kind in question, or to send by letter post any articles which would normally be included in such packets, e.g. a book, newspaper, or a pamphlet will be treated as "printed matter" and stopped, even if sent by letter post.

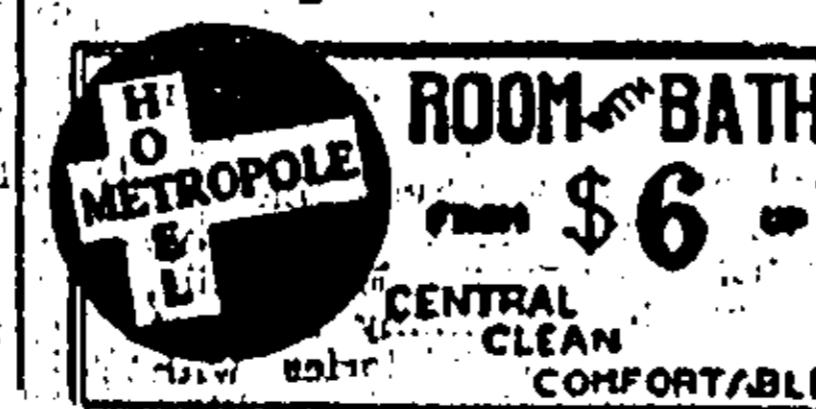
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5. All photographs entered must have been taken in the Colony of Hongkong. Photographs submitted in other Competitions are ineligible.
6. No responsibility will be accepted for non-delivery of, loss of, or damage to entries.
7. All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
8. Entries submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
9. No picture to enter in more than one Section.
10. Prints to be only white or sepia, and except in the Children's Section, must be of one of the following sizes: 10x12, 10x20.
11. Envelopes containing entries will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
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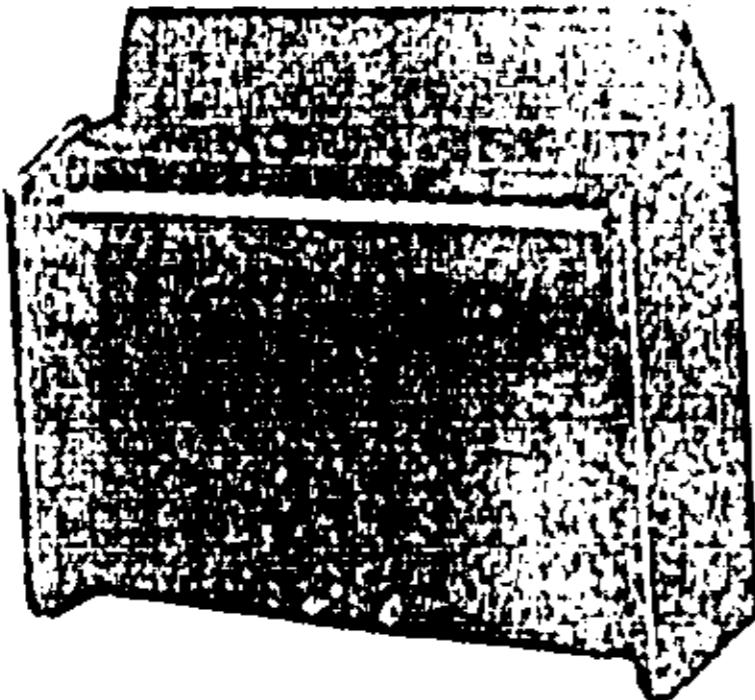
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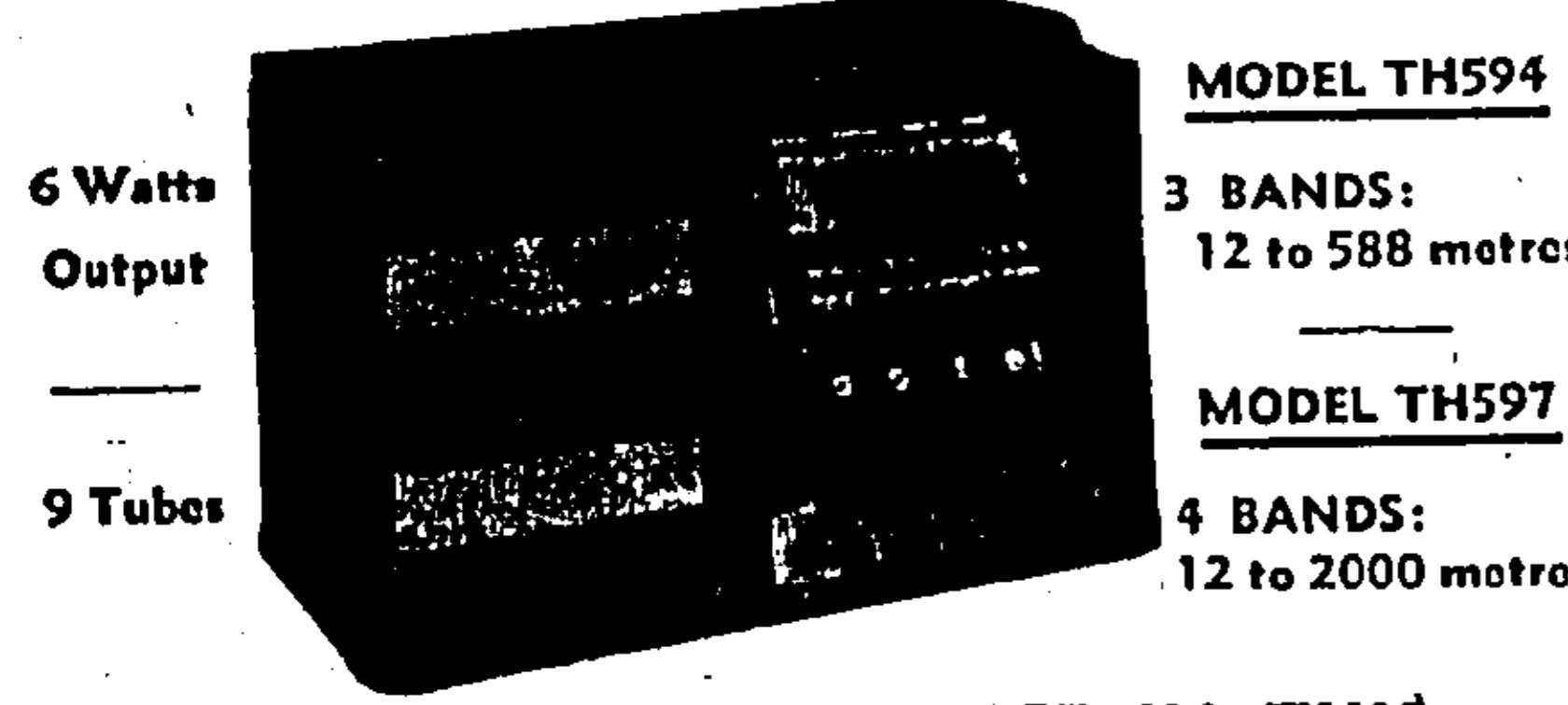
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### The R.A.F.

LET US take a look at this Royal Air Force whose "paper bullets" dropped over a wide area in Germany will have a more devastating effect on the Hitler regime than all the bombs it is capable of hurling on German heads.

How does it stand now in men and machines? The answer will encourage the Democracies. Britons have every reason to take comfort in our air strength.

From 1935 to early 1937 German bombers were superior to those of the R.A.F. in speed, range and bomb load. To-day Britain's latest aircraft surpass the corresponding German types in both flying range and bomb load.

The speeds of the two are said to be about the same, but the operational value of the British machine is far superior.

The Wellington is the most efficient two-engined bomber in the world to-day. Filled with petrol in place of bombs it could fly non-stop from England to Australia. The range of the first model, loaded with bombs, is 3,240 miles; its speed 265 miles an hour.

But warplanes in R.A.F. squadrons are only the forerunners of still better ones which are already appearing in very large numbers.

The disclosed performances of British bombers at present are of machines fitted with two engines, each about 1,000 horse-power. More powerful engines are in the new types of machines. The extra power is being applied to the carrying of heavier loads of bomb at faster speeds.

These are typical examples of the predominance which Great Britain has attained in invention and construction.

What about numbers of aeroplanes?

Precise official information on this is, for obvious reasons, not being provided to the world, but there has been a tremendous speed-up of new construction during the past twelve months.

A week before the war started, 250 orthodox firms and 3,500 subcontract firms were making aircraft. The number to-day is almost certainly greater. The joint Anglo-French aircraft construction exceeded the German output as long ago as June. It was boasted then that, at any time, British and French output of new machines could, at instant notice, double that of German factories.

British aircraft output last June was 1,000 planes a month. Less than three years ago it was at the rate of only about 400 in 12 months.

It is a disheartening achievement from the German point of view.

## It Means a Lot to be FIRST LORD

Mr. Winston Churchill is the new First Lord of the Admiralty. He will get £5,000 a year with luxurious house). The magnificent Admiralty yacht, the Enchantress, will be at his disposal.

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The salary probably seems attractive to you, but a good First Lord earns and spends every penny of it. He is the representative of the Navy in Parliament, responsible for the direction and supervision of all naval matters, with power to promote and discharge, recommend honours and awards.

He is very much of the Boss of the British Navy.

His responsibility is so great that he has a little Cabinet of his own, the Board of Admiralty, to advise and direct him. Though he is not compelled to take the Board's advice—he usually does. On the Board sit Britain's Sea Lords—first, second, third, fourth, and the recently appointed fifth—the big executives of the Navy.

Even in the Cabinet his position is enviable . . . he is one of the most powerful of Ministers.

### In Room 40

The house that goes with the job is a much finer place than either No. 10 or No. 11, Downing-street. It stands at the south-east corner of the Admiralty building in Whitehall. Its rooms are spacious and beautifully furnished. The drawing-room has unique furniture—chairs, tables, couches with legs and arms carved in the shape of dolphins. Lord Nelson's body once rested there.

A connecting door links the house with the Admiralty itself. The First Lord has access to every room in this, London's most exciting building. There is Room 40, for instance, the eyes and ears of the world.

Here cipher wireless messages, intercepted from the enemy, were decoded during the war. To-day the Admiralty's most trusted and talented men sit there, linked by radio with the ships and ports of the seven seas. Messages, secret and confidential, pass through their hands. They are just a few of the First Lord's 4,000 staff.

There is the superb Admiralty library, too, if the First Lord feels like reading. Not ordinary reading, though. A hundred thousand books and documents giving details of almost every naval engagement ever fought. Charts and maps and plans to bewilder you.

### His Yacht

And if you want to get away from the stuffy air of Whitehall there is the yacht already mentioned. It is a long-standing tradition that the First Lord is free to use the yacht as he wishes in the performance of his duties.

The Exchantress is finer than any rich man's ship. It is the Admiralty afloat, equipped, as the cinema posters say, "regardless of expense."

The First Lord has a busy job. There are dinners, banquets, luncheons to preside at, speeches to make and naval manoeuvres to attend. There are admirals to interview and inventions to be considered. There is the all-important question of the £ s d of running the Navy. And, finally, there is the task of telling Parliament and, through Parliament, the people all about it.

Members delight in asking difficult questions about the Navy. The First Lord has to answer them.

25 Years Ago

## At The Gates Of Paris

### Anniversary Of The Marne

It was on the morning of Sunday, September 6, 1914, that Paris knew that something had happened which would decide the fate of the war. For three days von Kluck's Army had been within striking distance of the capital; for three days we had waited for the sound of gunfire from the forts, signifying that the attack had begun. And now it was not coming; it was quite clear that it was not coming. Gallieni's brief communiqué, collected late on Saturday night from the Press Bureau in the Rue de Grenelle, had run as follows:

The German Army is still moving away from Paris and continuing the movement entered on two days ago. It follows from the information received that the enemy's troops have evacuated the Compiegne-Senlis district.

We had known nothing about the movement away from Paris, but that made the news all the more decisive. Something had happened. The German Army, which a week before had been in full march through Compiegne and Senlis for the gates of Paris, had found something to take it elsewhere. "Ah," said the street gossips, "nous verrons, nous verrons, quelqu'un chose."

Paris in those days lay as though hypnotized. The terrible reality of the invasion had come upon it so swiftly as to be almost unrealizable. The writer, then a member of the Paris staff of *The Times*, had left France about August 29 for a short visit to England. Fighting on the Belgian frontier was then still confined to skirmishes. The name Mons was still unfamiliar. A short ten days later, on Sunday, August 30, he returned to France.

The train from Boulogne was four hours late in starting and the *chef de gare* would not guarantee that it would get to Paris. Before it had reached Abbeville it was crowded to roof and doorstep with refugees from Belgium, from Lille, from every town in the Pas-de-Calais, soldiers and civilians together. It took 19 hours to reach Paris. Crowds were gathered at every little railway station and level crossing through Normandy to ask for news from the north as the train rolled slowly by. All through the night, at one junction after another, we were held up to let troop-train after troop-train pass, all moving south.

In Paris everything was in a hubbub. Everybody seemed to be leaving. The railway stations at the Quai d'Orsay and Montparnasse were packed with helpless crowds, struggling for places in the trains. People poured on to the river steamers, and left without knowing where they would get to. It was swelteringly hot. No one knew where the Germans were. The official news placed them at Noyon, but a chance acquaintance who had come that morning from Compiegne testified to having seen British sailors blow up the stone bridge over the Oise. That meant that the retreat was still in progress and Compiegne was only 30 miles away.

### THE FIRST BOMBS

On the following day, about 5 o'clock, a German aeroplane appeared over the city and dropped some bombs. It was Paris's first experience of bombardment, and it made no great impression. The bombs were obviously not much bigger than 5-pounder shells, and did little damage.

Next morning early the street rang to the steady tramp of marching troops. Regiment after regiment of African tirailleurs, Senegalese, and Chasseurs d'Afrique, were moving out to the north. It was the Tunisian division which had been rushed up the day before by rail from Marsselles. This looked like a change in tactics. The men were in splendid condition and gave promise of hard fighting; but there was a fresh surprise to come. Inside Paris there were no morning newspapers to be had. The Government had left the day before for Bordeaux. Everything was in the way of an authority that was not military had gone with them. The Allied Embassies and all newspaper offices were closed. On the walls was posted the first proclamation of General Gallieni.

I have been entrusted with the task of defending Paris from the invader. That task I shall fulfil to the end.

So there was to be a siege.

Paris now became a curious place. Over a million of its inhabitants, and they the best-to-do, had left. The boulevards and the fashionable streets in the centre were deserted. You could look down the Avenue de l'Opera at midday, and not count a dozen people or more than a couple of vehicles. The terraces of the Cafe de la Paix and Tourtel's were empty. The famous restaurants had hardly a single diner. The oyster season had just begun; barrels of the finest *Marennes* were displayed on the counter at Pruner's, and there was nobody to eat them. After 9 o'clock at night there was not a soul in the streets, except the patrols of the Municipal Guards. Meanwhile, the life of the humbler classes went on quietly and normally, but it was more like the life of a village than of a great city. Every one gossipied with every one else. In the absence of newspapers, the greengrocer and the milkman, who were in daily touch with people from outside, became the chief sources of news.

After the fearful fury of the past few days, with the buildings from the

## SPIES AT WORK

### Sir Michael Bruce

EVEN in times of peace spies are actively busy collecting, noting, and appraising facts of value about the country in which they are employed.

What can be the use of these facts should a war be declared? And is this work necessary among countries that are allies, tied with the bonds of friendship?

The answer to the first question is—naturally, the absolute knowledge of a country is extremely useful in the case of invasion. Not only the details that can be found on ordnance maps, but those of crops, supplies, number, and the thousands and one details that an army on the march must know.

Again, one of the most hazardous parts of a spy's work is the obtaining of the codes used by various countries. These are sent to skilled officials who are trained in the art of decoding. Even spies usually work as agents, and against them there is always the "counter-espionage," as important a branch of a country's service as that of intelligence itself.

Spying has another role in times of peace, that is the knowledge of how soon an enemy or probable enemy, even an allied country, can turn her factories, workshops, and resources into those supplying munitions of war. Here is the real work of the spy. The photographing of troops, flying grounds, and barracks given to the beginner to test is the fore-knowledge of the amount of machines which could be massed and equipped at these grounds in times of emergency.

"The Black Book"

Perhaps the most sinister of all a spy's work and the work calling for the most brains combined with the most skill is the "Black Book." It was stated that the Germans had a book giving the names of nearly every important and public person in Britain, and against these names were their habits, vices, and remarks on their characters.

Years ago there was a great libel case in which the words "The Black Book" occurred very frequently. It was stated that the Germans had a book giving the names of nearly every important and public person in Britain, and against these names were their habits, vices, and remarks on their characters.

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Spies are not cowards. They work like moles, underground, tunnelling, destroying or weakening the strength of their opponents. They face trial, imprisonment, and death for their own countries, knowing that should they be discovered none will help them. They fail—and the price of failure is shame. They succeed—and only they and those directly above them ever hear of their success.

No rewards, no honours come their way. Only the knowledge that they have served their country as well as and perhaps even better than another one who led an army or captured a citadel.

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# SECOND RAID ON WILHELMSHAVEN CLAIMS GNEISENAU AS VICTIM

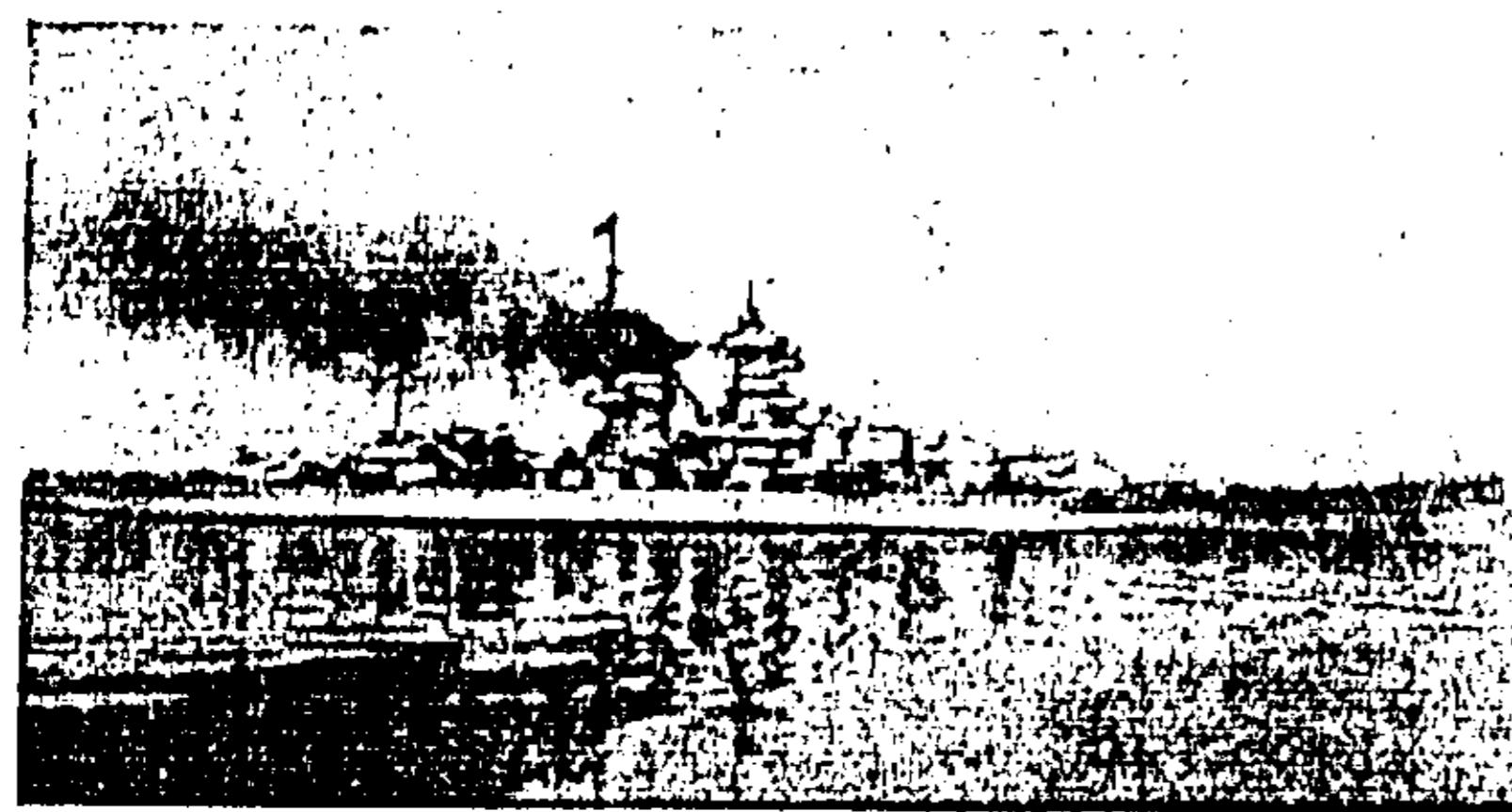
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PARIS, Sept. 7 (UP).—GERMANY'S BIGGEST AND MOST POWERFUL BATTLESHIP, THE 26,000-TON GNEISENAU, WAS SUNK IN THE SECOND BRITISH AIR RAID ON WILHELMSHAVEN YESTERDAY.

Germany has only two battleships, the remaining one being the Scharnhorst, which is of slightly earlier design.

The Gneisenau was launched on December 8, 1936—less than three years ago, and in some respects was one of the most powerful battleships afloat outside the British Navy.

The ship, which was laid down at the Wilhelmshaven Naval Yards in 1934, took over two years to build.



THE GERMAN BATTLESHIP GNEISENAU

It was originally supposed, when the Gneisenau and Scharnhorst were laid down, that they were to be of the Deutschland "pocket" battleship design. Actually, they were found to be of a new and much more formidable type.

## FAMOUS RAIDERS

The names, which are also used by two N.D.L. liners well-known in the Far East, commemorate those of two cruisers sunk at the Battle of the Falklands on December 8, 1914.

## NEWS FLASHES

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and took his seat as Vice-count Cadogan of Bristol.

For the last few days he sat on the Woolsack and acted as Speaker of the House of Lords, while still a Commoner.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The question of an extension of Summer-Time is being looked into, it was stated in the House of Commons to-day.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The South African Minister has advised the State Department that South Africa is at war with Germany.

LONDON, Sept. 7 (Reuter).—The survivors of the British steamer Bosnia were expected to arrive at Lisbon last night.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—A German torpedo boat which grounded at Fredericia, has escaped internment as a result of feverish efforts by a German freighter, which towed her off.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—Close contact with the Government by the Labour Party is foreshadowed in the announcement that prominent Labour leaders have been nominated to keep in touch with the specified Defence Ministers in order to exchange ideas in privacy.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, former First Lord of the Admiralty will keep in touch with Mr. Winston Churchill. Mr. Hugh Dalton who has made a study of air affairs, will maintain contact with Sir Kingsley Wood, and Mr. Lee Smith with Mr. Horace Belisha.

HONOLULU, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Naval authorities have announced that the United States naval aircraft carrier Langley will probably depart for Manila early on Thursday, carrying her regular equipment.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Treasury announces that besides the credits recently granted to Poland by the British and French governments, a financial agreement between the British, French and Polish Governments providing for a cash loan of about £8,000,000 to the Polish Government on the part of the British and French governments, was being signed at the Foreign Office to-day.

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—His Majesty paid a surprise visit to the secret headquarters of the R.A.F. flying command to-day.

He inspected the control rooms and then went over to the anti-aircraft command headquarters nearby.

CRISTOBAL, Sept. 6 (UP).—A United States Navy mine-sweeper is halting all ships and searching them outside the breakwater, irrespective of nationality. Similar proceedings are being carried out at Balboa.

BELGRADE, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Cabinet met this afternoon. It is in the Pacific and Atlantic had already started duty.

## GERMAN HORDES NEARING WARSAW

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tension is increasing as evacuation has become general.

**Bitter Fighting**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Sept. 6 (UP).—A Polish general staff communiqué states:

"Fighting is taking place along Lidz, Lodz, Piotrkow, and at Torun, Serpe and Płonka."

"There is bitter fighting west of Cracow."

"German aviation continued to bomb troops and lines of communication."

"Warfare has been repeatedly bombed."

"Polish aviation bombed German armoured columns. Our forces were six planes."

"Corps at Gdynia are combatant detachments of Danzig forces."

**Tatra Region Lost**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRATISLAVA, Sept. 6 (UP).—It is officially stated that the entire front in the Tatra mountain region, including all territory taken by Poland in 1920, 1929 and 1939, has been recovered.

**Evacuation Of Warsaw Proceeds**

WARSAW, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The seat of the Polish Government has been removed to Lublin, 120 miles south-east of the Capital.

Wounded Polish soldiers have been moved out of Warsaw.

Nazi troops are approaching southwards from East Prussia.

The population of Warsaw continues to be sheltered, in spite of repeated air raids.

Cinemas and theatres are open, and cafes and restaurants are doing business as usual.

**Suicide Garrison Holds On**

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The small Polish "Suwido" garrison in Westerplatte is still holding out against vastly superior Nazi forces.

They have been repeatedly bombed by Nazi guns and planes.

Polish troops from Gdynia, who created a diversion, claim to have taken 12 prisoners, a field gun and three machine guns.

The Warsaw radio is now announcing the names of German officers and soldiers taken prisoner by Polish forces with a word of comfort to their families in Germany.

A German communiqué meanwhile claims that Nazi forces have occupied the whole of Upper Silesia, and to have taken 10,000 prisoners in the Corridor.

**Military Opinion**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—Military circles are of the opinion that Hitler's Armies are driving a series of frantic thrusts in an effort to crush the Poles before the Franco-British pressure in the west becomes effective.

They consider that, thus far, the Poles have done extremely well in blocking the tempo of the German advance, considering the strategic disadvantages at the commencement of the war, when the Germans were half encircling the country.

The German idea to smash the Polish resistance within two or three weeks seems destined to fall.

**LIVERPOOL, Sept. 6 (Reuter)**

Cotton which again was the sole open major commodity on the market, but with prices pegged at yesterday's closing levels, sellers were virtually withdrawn, and consequently business was restricted.

As the London Stock Exchange re-opens to-morrow, to-day's street and inter-office dealing were only

Wall Street was firm.

**LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP)**

It has been officially announced that Lieut. General Sir Douglas Brownrigg, who has hitherto been Director General of the Territorial Army, has been appointed Adjutant General to the British Forces in the Field.

**CHUNGKING, Sept. 7 (Central)**

The British Naval Command in Shanghai has authorized the resumption of navigation by British steamers of small tonnage along the China coast, states Shanghai dispatch.

**NEW YORK, Sept. 6 (Reuter)**

It is reported that Japanese interests are preparing to place machinery orders to the value of \$10,000,000 with which to equip a lorry factory in Manchuria.

The orders are said to have originally been intended for Germany, but have now been switched to the United States.

**BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 6 (Reuter)**

The Argentine Cabinet has decreed neutrality.

**ROME, Sept. 6 (UP)**

The Polish Embassy in a communiqué denied that General Smigly-Rydz had resigned as chief of the Polish forces.

**WASHINGTON, Sept. 6 (Reuter)**

President Roosevelt has announced that the Panama Canal zone is now under the direct control of the War Department, and that naval patrols of nationality. Similar proceedings are being carried out at Balboa.

**BELGRADE, Sept. 6 (UP)**

The Cabinet met this afternoon. It is in the Pacific and Atlantic had already started duty.

# Nazi Planes Repulsed Over N. Sea

## Attempt To Invade Britain Broken By R.A.F. Vigilance

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Sept. 7 (UP).—Germany's first attempt to invade England by air has ended in failure.

The air raid alarm was sounded in London at 6.43 p.m., the All Clear being given at 9.02 p.m.

The Ministry of Information states that, so far as is known, no enemy aircraft penetrated into British territory.

That the repelling off of the invaders proved totally successful was due to the vigilance of the Royal Air Force.

One R.A.F. plane crashed during the raid and it is admitted that a second machine was brought down.

The pilot of the plane which made the forced landing, on a R.A.F. aerodrome, immediately climbed into a second machine and took to the air again.

**Fired On Own Planes**

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—"Roter" is officially informed that enemy aircraft reported off the East coast this morning were reconnoissance planes.

Fighter aircraft were despatched but contact was not made with the enemy, who turned back before reaching the coast.

On returning, some of our aircraft were mistaken for enemy aircraft, which caused certain coastal batteries to open fire.

**London Keeps Calm**

LONDON, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—When air raid sirens in London shrieked their warning early to-day, buses and cars stopped in the streets, and people on their way to work walked calmly into the shelters.

Underground and other trains continued running, even along the open stretches.

**The alarm**—London's third since war was declared—lasted over two hours. There was no sign of panic.

Passengers, with gas masks slung over the shoulders, quitted buses in an orderly fashion and went to safety. Inside the shelters, city men and business girls read newspapers and chatted cheerfully.

Meanwhile, steel-helmeted policemen and air raid wardens clad in decontamination clothing patrolled the silent streets.

**Springs To Life**

When the All Clear signal sounded the dead city sprang into life as if by magic. Police cycled through the streets carrying large notice boards with the words "Raiders Passed."

In the House of Commons, Mr. A. Butler said that the bombing by German aircraft in Poland had been generally directed against an objective serving some military purpose and not indiscriminately against the civilian population, although there had been civilian casualties.

Mr. Chamberlain said he hoped to make a statement on the general situation to-morrow.

**The German idea** to smash the Polish resistance within two or three weeks seems destined to fall.

**Tanks Load Drive**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

WARSAW, Sept. 6 (Dome).—Field reports say that 400 tanks are leading the German push on Warsaw.

It is understood that the Polish Government is evacuating Warsaw to a new capital, near Rumana. Japanese and other foreign Embassies are also evacuating. The populace are ordered to speed up withdrawal. Most foreign correspondents are also gone.

With the gunfire clearly audible in the city, the Polish lines have been drawn closer around the city. Poles are reported to have lost strategic positions after German troops and planes relentlessly battered them.

**Germans Across Corridor**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BERLIN, Sept. 6 (Dome).—The German Army Headquarters announced that German troops in the east and west sections of the Corridor have established junction. German troops cross the Corridor for the first time since the World War.

Contact has been made in Berlin with the East Prussian Forces, it was further claimed.

An official communiqué says that Polish losses are heavy. Germans are now 30 miles beyond Cracow, after occupying that city.

**Inflamed Peasants**

PARIS, Sept. 6 (Reuter).—The Warsaw correspondent of *Haas* reports that the peasants are infuriated by German attacks on towns and villages, and are organising spontaneous hunts for German parachutists.

Four officers of the German air



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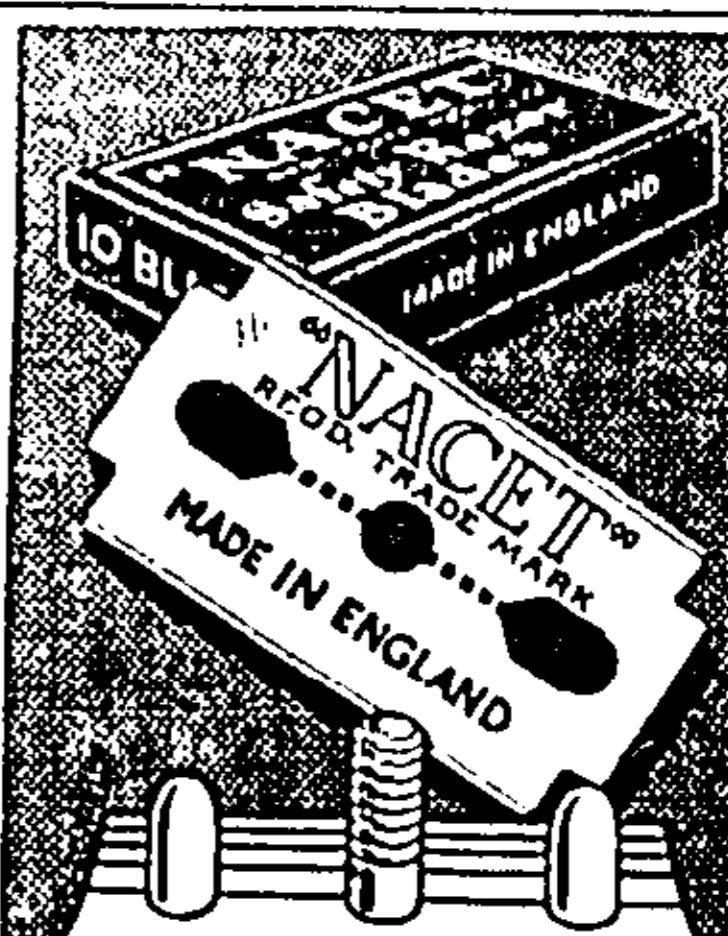
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# A.R. DALLAH, LEADING 20-10, BEATEN 21-20 IN LAWN BOWLS FINAL

## Magnificent Recovery By U.M. Omar But He Was Lucky To Win

(By "Abe")

With due respect to U.M. Omar's fine fighting finish, I am sure many people who saw the game will agree that he was very lucky to beat A.R. Dallah in the final of the Open Bowls Singles Championship of the Colony on the Club de Recreio green yesterday. Trailing 10-20 on the 14th head, he finally won 21-20 after as magnificent a recovery as has ever been seen in the tournament—aided and abetted by a few atrocious mistakes by Dallah.

Indeed, when he recovered from a 2-8 deficit to lead 17-10 after seven consecutive successful heads, and later scored a three on the 14th head to lead 20-10, Dallah was playing so well that he seemed to have the match in his pocket. He was outplaying Omar in every department at this stage and I am sure there were many people who thought, as I did, that a victory for him was just a matter of time. What made this impression all the stronger was the fact that Omar had lost his sense of weight and was always that yard through or short.

But there was a surprise for all. On the 15th end, Dallah, leading 20-10, was lying one when Omar had his last wood to roll. The latter took a desperate chance with a drive. He could have drawn, for Dallah's shot was in a perfect position for a rest; but probably he could not rely on a draw and preferred a drive instead. As it happened, his gamble came off and with the two he got on this head by taking the jack down to the ditch, he kept the game alive. With this success, he also seemed to develop new courage, and it was now his turn to dominate the play. He scored another two on the 16th end, followed by a single on the next.

### A BAD BLUNDER

It was on the 18th head that Dallah, in my opinion, made his biggest blunder of the match. When he had his last wood to roll, Omar was lying three round the jack, with his fourth wood wide by the side. Dallah was lying fourth with two back woods. He, therefore, had nothing to lose by taking a "crack" at the jack. If he carried the kitty, he had his back woods to receive it; if he did not hit the jack, there was good chance of taking out one or two of Omar's shot woods; or even if he had missed jack and woods, he would not have given more than three. Instead, Dallah preferred to draw, ignoring the fact that it needed a very good shot indeed to save, let alone take first shot. A heavy wood, in my view, was certainly called for inasmuch as he could allow for a greater margin of error. As it was, Dallah went slightly narrow although he had the perfect weight, and his wood swung across the green. With the three he obtained here, Omar was now only two shots behind, 18-20.

If the 18th head was a bad one for Dallah, the 19th was even worse, for on this end he conceded another three to lose the match. Omar was short with his first wood, and drew two beauties with his second and third, while Dallah, heavy with his first, was narrow with second and third. Omar tried to block with his fourth, but failed and the position when Dallah had the last wood was this. Omar was lying two, Dallah had third and two back woods.

### UNFORTUNATE ENDING

Then in playing a pound-on shot, Dallah went wide and had the mortification of seeing it cut Omar's front wood in for the third shot, which

gave the latter the match. It was an unfortunate ending for Dallah, but in my way he only had himself to blame for allowing the match to become so tight. When he led 20-10, the odds were a dollar to a lemon that he would win the title for the third time, but he failed to seize his chance.

Such a splendid bowler as Dallah is bound to go far; but I make bold to say that even if he does succeed in winning the championship in the near future, he is not likely to have the same chance of winning as comfortably as he should have done yesterday.

He had victory in his grasp, only to let it go again.

### FIGHTING FINISH

The greatest tribute one can pay to Omar, who won the Colony title for the fourth time—thus setting a record which will take a long time to break—is that he never admitted defeat even in the face of his opponent's substantial lead. He played some beautiful shots at the start, and at the end, but on the whole he played no better than Dallah. He won because he made his recovery just in time and because Dallah played right into his hands by his timidity on the 18th and 19th heads.

Rain threatened to ruin the match. Several showers came down when the game was in progress and stops had to be made each time. The change in the weight of the green affected Omar more than Dallah. Leading 8-2 before the last heavy shower, Omar never scored again until Dallah had reached 17. The green was drawing well, with one hand taking a little more than the other.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was amongst the spectators who saw one of the best contests ever played in the history of the championship. Never before has the margin of one shot separated the champion from the runner-up.

The following are the scores head by head:

	U. M. Omar	A. R. Dallah
1	2	-
2	2	4
3	-	2
4	3	7
5	1	8
6	-	2
7	-	8
8	-	3
9	-	8
10	-	2
11	0	14
12	-	17
13	2	10
14	1	10
15	2	12
16	2	14
17	1	15
18	3	10
19	3	21
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The match was umpired by Mr. V. Chittenden.

### Interport Players' Departure Delayed

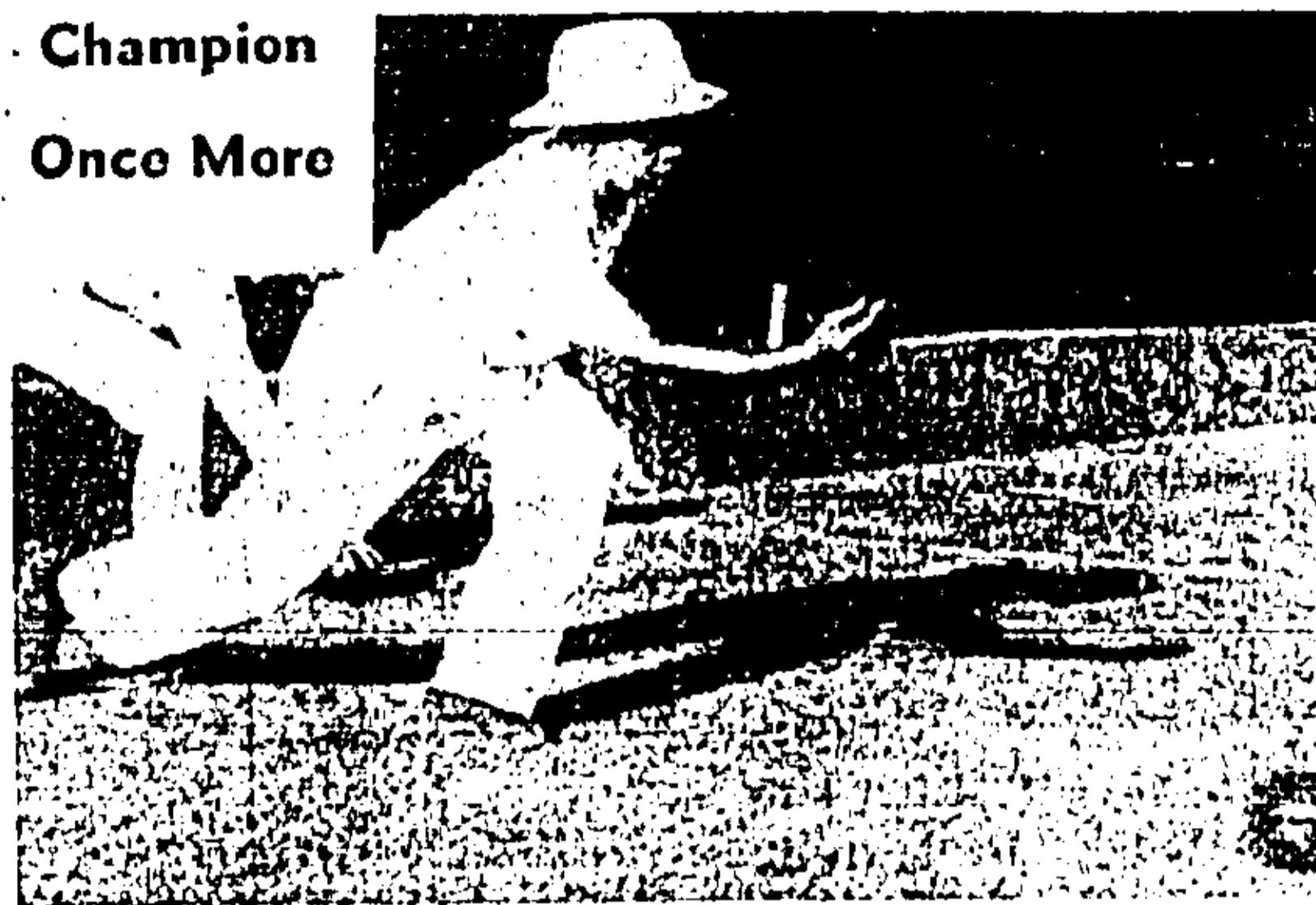
The departure of the Hongkong Interport lawn bowls team has been delayed, and the players will now leave on Sunday morning by the Conte Biancamano instead of tomorrow when Dallah had the last wood was this. Omar was lying two, Dallah had third and two back woods.

### So Near And Yet So Far



A. R. Dallah, when leading 20-10 on the 14th head against U. M. Omar, needed to have victory within his grasp yesterday; but he was defeated finally by 21-20.—Staff Photographer.

Champion Once More



U. M. Omar yesterday set up a local lawn bowls record which may never be equalled when he won the Colony singles title for the fourth time by beating A. R. Dallah 21-20 after one of the best matches in the history of the competition. Omar at one stage was trailing 10-20, but in five heads he scored 2, 2, 1, and 3 to win.—Staff Photographer.

### Killed While Playing Bowls

Mr. Alfred Robinson, a plumber, who was watching the game said: "One man had just thrown and Knowles was walking up when suddenly there was a blinding light. Knowles seemed to explode. His clothing flew all over the place. It was the worst lightning I have ever seen."

In several places near where Knowles had been walking the turf was cut as though by a knife. While playing a bowl four-some at Peel Green, Lancashire, on August 26, Mr. Edward Knowles, aged 45, of Harrison Street, Peel Green, was killed by lightning. Two of his friends, Stanley Hardman and Stanley Knight, were treated in hospital for burns and shock.

### Hongkong Rifle Association

#### Programme For Year Now Announced

The Hongkong Rifle Association will commence its 1939-40 programme on Wednesday next, Sept. 13, with a Spoon and Practice Shoot at 200 yds., 500 yds., and 600 yds.

Pool Bull: Two targets will be reserved for Pool Bull shooting.

Firing will commence at 1.45 p.m.

#### PROGRAMME DATES

The following are the dates for the shooting programme:

Sept. 13, 20, 24, 27.  
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 29.  
Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 26, 29.  
Dec. 6, 13, 17, 20.

1940:  
Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 28, 31.  
Feb. 7, 14, 21, 25, 28.  
Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, to April 1.

Prize Meeting.

Apr. 3, 10, 17, 24, 28.

May 1, 8, 15, 19.

Times of Shooting are:

Wednesday, from 1.45 p.m. to dusk.

Sundays, from 9 a.m. (sharp) until 12.45 p.m.

In addition to the dates given above, it is hoped that, as in the past, the Royal Navy will help by affording spare target accommodation on certain Saturday afternoons on the naval range at Stonecutters.

In view of the visit of the Australians and the lifting of the ban on France and French clubs. An unusually attractive season had been anticipated; but "this is not" to be. The average age of the Australian club is under 24, and the average weight of the forwards 13 stone 12 lbs., and they come with the reputation of being exceptionally powerful in front but with no outstanding back. A programme of 28 fixtures had been arranged for them, beginning with a match against Devon and Cornwall at Devonport on September 10 and ending up against England at Twickenham on January 6. There was also the likelihood of an extra game against France afterwards, and they had arranged to play in Canada on their return home.

### Hockey Association Annual Meeting

The Sixth Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association will be held in the West Lounge of the European Y.M.C.A. to-day at 6 p.m.

The League will have to be greatly curtailed. For obvious reasons Service teams cannot participate, and without them the League will not be anything like its old self. As for cricket, the League meeting should have been held on Tuesday, but this has now been postponed to September 25. Even so, doubt exists as to whether organised cricket will be played in the Colony this year.

### Tour Ruined

In the case of the West Indies cricketers, the war did not affect them too badly; at least they had completed most of their fixtures in England. But with the Australian rugby players who have only just arrived in the country, the war is a sad blow. They arrived on September 1 to be greeted by the announcement of war. Thus without playing a single game they found their tour completely ruined. The 1939-40 rugby season at home was expected to have a special interest this year.

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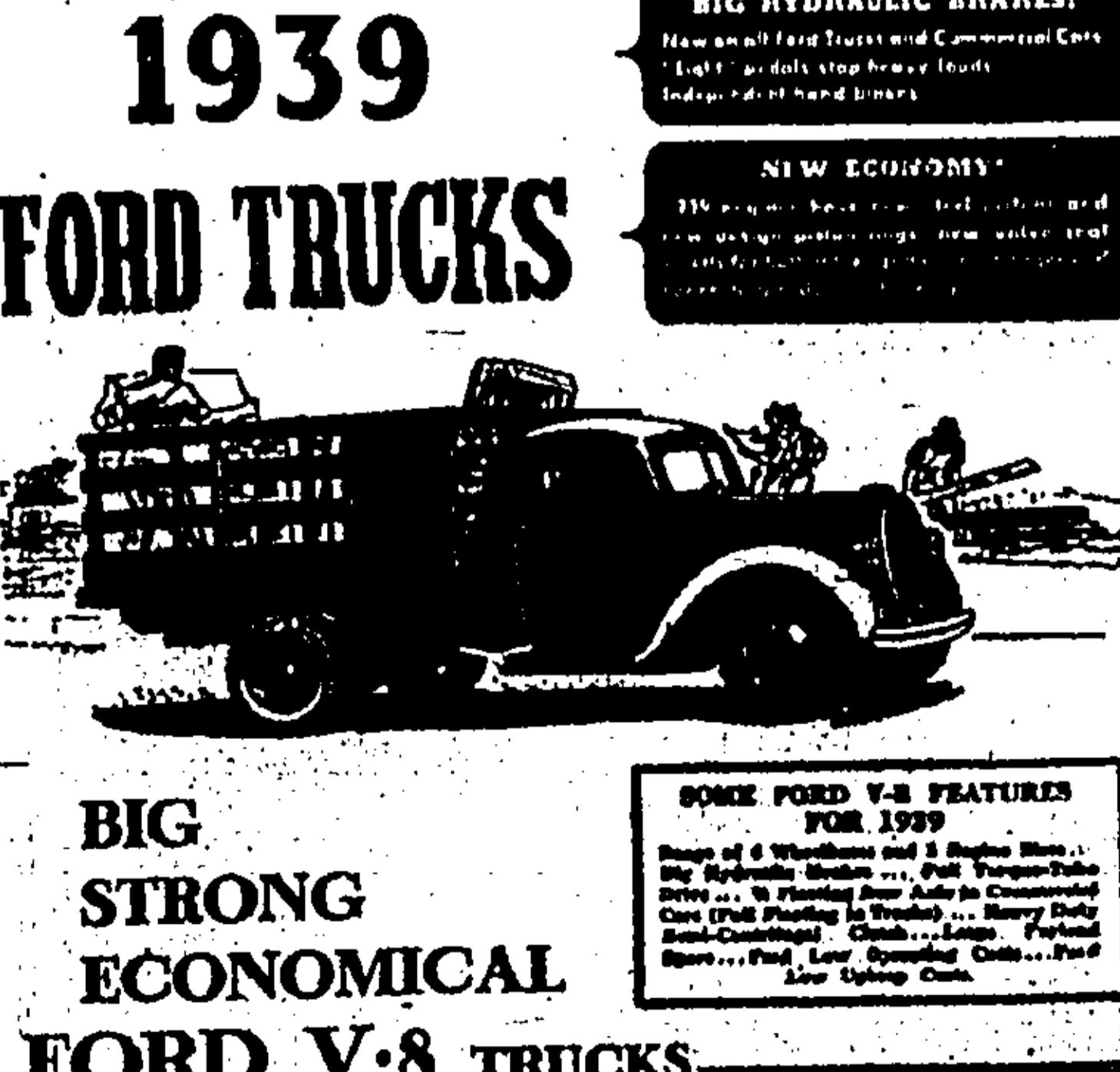
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## AT THE GATES OF PARIS

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lead each more terribly significant than the last, this placid and untroubled existence was singularly restful. Here we were within sense and sound of two great armies at grips with one another, yet it was difficult to believe that anything exciting or abnormal was afoot. Paris seemed asleep. Subconsciously every one was waiting for the storm to break, but, as it happens in moments of great crisis, time seemed to be standing still, while the gods pondered over the fate of man as they weighed it in the balance.

The best sign was that there was no hint of battle being cut off from the coast. The Germans had occupied Amlens, but they had not reached the Seine. What they were doing we could not understand. Then came the official news that they were moving away from Paris, and at last it dawned on us that the assault for which we had been waiting in dread was not going to take place. Then came rumours of the fighting. The French had fired. The Germans had built a bridge across the Marne. It had been destroyed by gunfire, and hundreds of them had been drowned. Things were going well, they said. Then another report passed from mouth to mouth. All the taxicabs were to be found. They had been taken to rush troops to the front—regularised in the street—the police had done it by order from Gallieni's headquarters. It was true; not a taxi was to be found. Things were evidently getting hot out there.

## THE BATTLE WON

Next morning the writer and another British Journalist obtained a pass to go from Paris to Dijon by car. We had no intention of going to Dijon. That was merely a device to get outside the gates. Once well away from Paris, the big Rolls-Royce was turned north, and presently, by series of minor stratagems and a stroke or two of good luck, we found ourselves on the hills above Meaux.

Here the situation was plain at a glance. The fields all around were littered with the debris of a day-old battle. Rifles, entrenching tools, bits of equipment, lay about the roads, and here and there the dead bodies of many of those brave, traitorous who had marched gallantly through Paris four days before. But the battle had been won. The Germans were already three miles away beyond the further ridge being pounded by French artillery beside us on the hill, and the infantry could be seen through field-glasses going steadily forward. Down in the valley below, half-submerged in the river, lay a limousine with the drowned bodies of three German officers. It was obviously a patrol which had attempted a daring reconnaissance on the flank of the Allied Army, and had met its fate the night before trying to rejoin the German forces. The car had tried to cross the Marne by a bridge which had been blown up, and had plunged straight into the river. That little-tragedy seemed to us to embody the failure of the whole German campaign.

The official bulletins, telling of the prisoners and guns captured, and the enemy's precipitate retreat—the Alsace chime days later, and the importance of the victory of the Marne was only gradually revealed, but meanwhile, all Paris knew by instinct that France was saved, and woke from its spell.

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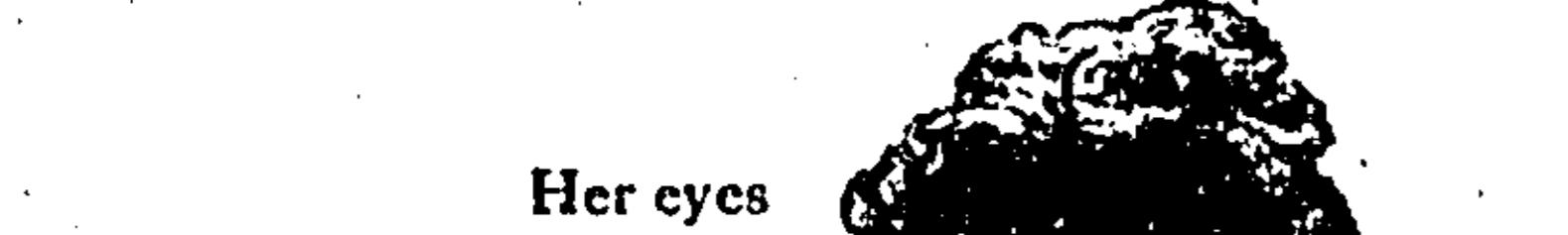
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## TENDER REUNIONS

### First Visitors' Day At Internment Camp

There were scenes of tender and grateful reunion at La Salle College yesterday when, for the first time, the internment camp was opened to visitors. In the period from 9 a.m. to 9.30 p.m., approximately 200 visited the camp's 92 inmates.

There were about 50 clustered inside the barbed wire fence by the time the visiting period began and these were escort'd up the college drive by guards. A dozen nationalities were represented in the crowd, for the wives, sisters, and children of the internees were supported by friends of other nationalities.

They became clustered in the entrance-hall as three officers rapidly inspected the parcels they carried. These consisted of baskets, ports, brown-paper parcels, bundles of clothing, and piles of magazines and books. A few newspapers, which are forbidden, and alcohol drinks were confiscated.

Another pile of congestion occurred on the floor above while the names and addresses of the visitors were taken, and then they were allowed to meet the internees in the halls and dining room on the first floor. The process will be simplified on future occasions, the names and addresses of most prospective visitors having now been taken.

#### Fervent Reunions

There were fervent reunions in the dining hall, suggesting that husbands and their wives and families had been parted for months rather than for a few days; but there was no empty lamenting and there were more smiles than tears. The women-folk were obviously resigned to the inevitable, and the internees were appreciative of the gentle discipline of Commandant Major I. D. S. Gordon and his men.

There were reluctant partings when the end of the visiting period was called at 6.30 p.m., many having been misled by the published notification that the period would be from 5 to 7 p.m. The younger married couples hung back a little and lingered over embraces that must suffice until Saturday.

A routine for the internees was fixed when the camp opened and is still in force. It allows them a certain amount of freedom, which will probably be amplified as the camp becomes more settled. At present they rise at 7 a.m. Roll call, by their numbers, is taken at 8.15 a.m. and breakfast follows. There is an inspection of their sleeping quarters at 10 a.m. and they are allowed outdoor recreation from 11 to 12.30. At noon the Commandant hears any complaints or suggestions they have to make.

Tea is at 12.30 and from then until 4 p.m. the internees keep to their dormitory, reading and playing chess or cards. Though Aryan and non-Aryan sections have been formed the internees mix freely at this and at all other times. There is another recreation period from 4.30 to 6 p.m., when a last meal is taken. The roll is called again at 8 p.m. and "light out" is at 10.15.

#### New Procedure To-day

A new order will begin at the camp to-day when internees will cook their own meals. In this respect they are fortunate to have in their number two young Hungarian cooks, a former Hongkong maître d'hôtel, and a cafe host. Under reasonable rations, the Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels will continue to provide plain, but ample food. The internees have already organised for all duties connected with the preparation and service of their meals and the cleaning up afterwards.

From to-day the spacious school theatre, with its stage and piano, will be made available to the internees, who include many capable musicians. Yesterday a canteen was opened in the theatre, which will be "wet" from 5 to 5.45 p.m., beer being the only alcoholic drink available. Each internee will be allowed a limit of \$10 a week from his confiscated resources for canteen purchases. The theatre can be used for recreation in wet weather.

Internees are responsible for the cleanliness of the dormitory and of their own belongings, Chinese labour not being used for this purpose. A washroom where clothing hung drying indicated yesterday that many of them had already been busy washing.

#### Future Visiting Hours

Visiting hours have now been fixed at from 6 to 9.30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Visitors arriving at the outside gate later than 5.30 p.m. are liable to be refused admission. At present newsprint may not be taken in, though this ruling may eventually be relaxed, non-alcoholic drinks, including beer, being taken in.

Persons outside are requested not to telephone to internees, and in exceptional cases will such calls be accepted. Internees will also be permitted to make telephone calls only in exceptional circumstances.

As many as 30 in the camp have hopes of release. Individual cases will be considered by a tribunal on Monday, particularly with regard to Australians and Jewish refugees who wish to return to businesses they were conducting in Hongkong. Where two British guarantors are forthcoming and the police have no objections it is likely that releases will be arranged.

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### Big Tunnelling Scheme At Windsor Castle

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LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—The King, Queen, Princesses and other members of the Royal Family will be quartered in bomb-proof, gas-proof subterranean shelters at Windsor Palace if German warplanes raid London.

Over a mile of deep tunnelling at Windsor has already been completed. Vast quantities of food, medical supplies and other necessities have been cached in the huge vaults especially constructed for the use of the Royal Family.

Stringent precautions have been made at Buckingham, Balmoral and Sandringham palaces.

Several of Buckingham's most valuable art treasures have been moved to the comparative safety of Windsor.

## SOLDIERS IN COURT

Three privates attached to the Middlesex Regiment, Percy Middlesex, 23, James Wright, 24 and George Edward Chacksfield, 24, were charged with having robbed Wong Kai-yu, of a wrist watch in Hankow Road, on September 4, before Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. They were also charged with having assaulted Wong. They were remanded for a week in Military custody.

## FACE SLAPPED BY COOLIE

While on her way to visit her married daughter, who lived in Waterloo Road, Mrs. Emily Wood, of Embankment Road, was attacked by Chan Hoi, 28, unemployed, who slapped her face and snatched her handbag. Chan was committed for trial by Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of robbery with violence.

## TERRITORIALS "DISAPPEAR"

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LONDON, Sept. 6 (UP).—The Ministry of Information announced the merger of all units of the British Army to provide unification.

Thus, the Territorial Army ceases to have an "independent existence."

Two months' hard labour was imposed on Lee Kwek-chol, 17, unemployed by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he appeared on remand charged with the theft of a handbag from Miss L. D'Eremee, of Austin Road.

Mrs. F. S. Fraser, of 4 King's Park Buildings, reported to the Police that her maid, who matched at 10.45 a.m. mile, near Tsui Wan, was broken into on September 1 and a gramophone and clock valued at \$33 were stolen.

## HONGKONG ESTATES

Hongkong estate sworn under \$42,000 was left by the late Mr. Herbert Alfred John Macrae, who died at Kensington, Middlesex, on April 30. An application by Mr. G. N. Tinson for sealing certified copy of probate of the will, has been granted.

The late Mrs. Enid Dorothy Dubrey, who died intestate at King's College Hospital, Camberwell, London, on January 12, left Hongkong estate sworn under \$500. An application by Mr. R. A. Wadson for sealing letters of administration of the estate has been granted.

Persons are responsible for the cleanliness of the dormitory and of their own belongings, Chinese labour not being used for this purpose. A washroom where clothing hung drying indicated yesterday that many of them had already been busy washing.

#### FUTURE VISITING HOURS

Visiting hours have now been fixed at from 6 to 9.30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Visitors arriving at the outside gate later than 5.30 p.m. are liable to be refused admission. At present newsprint may not be taken in, though this ruling may eventually be relaxed, non-alcoholic drinks, including beer, being taken in.

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## Japan And Russia

### Soviet Aeroplanes Brought Down

Hankow, Sept. 6.

With the onslaughts of the invading Soviet and Outer Mongol forces having been effectively checked by the combined Japanese and Manchurian forces, a full blown once again to prevail along the border front near Nomonhan on September 2.

Field reports claim that about three divisions of the mechanised units of the Soviet and Outer Mongol forces, including some 10,000 men who attempted to cross the border, have been held up near the Balshagur and Nolo heights.

Over 250 Soviet and Outer Mongol tanks have been disabled by Japanese artillery fire and abandoned on the field.

Japanese air units encountered about 80 Soviet and Outer Mongol planes over the border on Monday. The Japanese fighters succeeded in bringing down 22 of the enemy craft. One Japanese plane crashed.—Domei.

## JAPAN'S ARMAMENTS

Shanghai, Sept. 6.

Manufacture of armaments in Japan is subject to decrease and delay owing to the difficulty of securing raw materials from Europe and America, which now have to present their resources.

Many countries in Europe and America have banned the export of steel, oil, scrap iron, cotton and minerals.—International.

## BAN ON SPECULATION

Tokyo, Sept. 6.

The Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry will to-day issue a joint statement warning all banking institutions against extension of funds for speculative purposes.

It is understood that Government authorities have decided to invoke Article XI regulating funds in case of unscrupulous speculation continuing despite the official warning.—Domei.

## CWANGTUNG WAR

### Japanese Strength In East River

Yungyun, Sept. 6.

The Chinese counter-attack in the Bias Bay area has resulted in the recapture of many points, including Kwei-chung, Lin-tin, Wong-kong, and Kaitau. Over 200 Japanese were killed.

A part of the Japanese retired to their warships in the bay while others fled to Pukut and Shataukok.

Japanese batteries at Mahow near Samshui heavily shelled the Chinese positions yesterday morning. The cannonading was clearly audible in Shihlung.

In the Tsungfa sector 3,000 Japanese pushed northward from Shenkong and Taipingchong to Kaitau on Monday. They were intercepted by Chinese self-defence corps.—Central News.

## Japanese Casualties

Shihkuwan, Sept. 6.

Nearly 500 Japanese troops are reported to have been either killed or wounded south of Tsungfa last week.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

## EAST RIVER FIGHTING

Walchow, Sept. 6.

Fighting between the Japanese and guerrillas continues at Tungkun, Shek-tan, Namtau and Shumehun, according to Chinese reports. The Japanese are recruiting Chinese troops at Namtau, Shumehun and Tungkun, paying the Chinese a monthly renumeration of \$20.

Five hundred Japanese were rushed to Shek-tan from Shek-tan, on Saturday, while two hundred fresh troops were also dispatched from Bocca Tigris to Tungkun along the Tungkun-Taiping highway.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

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